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4. Invitation to Ramona Meeting

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-01-24 00:03:22 UTC
From: KB4HB
Topic: 4 Message: 4

The ROARS general meeting for January 2008 will be this
Wednesday, January 23, 7:00 PM at the Ramona Library.

We will provide an update on the 4 problems we were
working on in committees at the November meeting:

1. what to do when the repeaters fail?
2. how can we improve communications between shelters, fire
department, and citizens during emergencies.
3. can we improve local weather information which could
aid firefighters during Santa Ana conditions?
4. what can ROARS do to provide communications training
to the public including amateur radio licensing classes?

We will also discuss the ROARS calendar for 2008.

I hope to see you there!

-- Richard

5. Another GOOD Discussion Group

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-01-24 01:18:03 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 5 Message: 5

For those involved with wild fire communications, here is a good Yahoo Group to join...

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDFIRENet/messages

7. San Diego ARES

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-01-24 15:41:53 UTC
From: Bob Boehme
Topic: 7 Message: 7

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For example, someone might say...

"Good evening I'm _____ and I would like to share with you some of the future plans of ARES. First of all I would like to apologize on behalf ARES for any past conflicts or offensiveness which may have occurred."

"I also wish to thank all of you for you dedicated service over the past years and want you all to know that your participation has been greatly appreciated. Many of you have served the community with dedication and forbearance for many years. The San Diego County community has benefited in many ways during past disaster situation along with Red Flag and many other areas. etc etc etc..."

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8. Re: San Diego ARES

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-01-28 01:23:08 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 7 Message: 8

--- "Bob Boehme" <w6rhv> wrote:
> I think that San Diego ARES needs to regroup and again become a collection of cooperating amateur radio operators... I would be willing to help in that endeavor to promote good operating practices and good fellowship... <snip>

Thanks, Bob.

We have sent a copy of your suggestions to KG6R@...

That's Jim Cammarano and he is section emergency coordinator for the San Diego section and the head of ARES.

We've asked Jim to post an answer to you in this group.

Regards,

Kurt Barnhart, N6MD
Volunteer Moderator for this group

9. What to do when the repeaters go down?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-01-26 16:22:16 UTC
From: David Doan
Topic: 9 Message: 9

What to do when the repeaters go down?

During the Cedar Fire of 2003, several East County repeaters were lost because of power outages or damage to the repeater. Toward the end of the emergency, we were down to one repeater with suitable coverage. It had to carry both American Red Cross shelter traffic and CDF Public Information Officer traffic. Because neither net had heavy traffic demands, we got through it. But it was a near thing.

What if we had lost that repeater?

We have gotten altogether too reliant on repeaters for emergency communications. Or for rag chewing, for that matter. It's easy. It's cheap. And it works well, most of the time. All one needs is a 2m FM mobile radio, and short whip on a mag mount. Or even an HT.

What are the alternatives for point to point communications? For mobile communications?

I'm going to suggest a couple, in the hope that it will inspire others to make suggestions and improvements. Some things that will work for fixed portable locations are not suitable for mobile. There are no right answers here. What we need is a good long list of possibilities.

NVIS (Near Vertical Incidence Skywave) propagation is one way to do local and regional communications. NVIS operates at HF frequencies low enough to be returned to the ground when propagated nearly straight up. Right now, at the low of the sunspot cycle, that means 80 m in the daytime. 80 m NVIS at night is marginal to poor. 160 m might work at night, but I don't know anyone using it. Usable NVIS frequencies will be higher as the sunspot numbers start to increase. Nighttime operation will also improve.

NVIS antennas are horizontally polarized, and no more than 1/4 wave above the ground. Vertical antennas have a null straight up, and so they will not work. This means that NVIS is good for fixed portable, but not for mobile.

Another mode I have experimented with is 160 m ground wave. This mode has the advantage of being independent of sunspots, but it does not have a very great range. The experiments I have done indicate reasonably reliable

communication between mobiles at distances of 10 - 15 miles, using center loaded whips. The antenna efficiency was estimated to be around 1 %. Better antennas will surely help, but 160 m meters is about the highest frequency at which ground wave will work at all, and the attenuation over average ground is high.

Given the proper antennas, this mode can be useful for either mobile or fixed portable.

We have come become so used to using repeaters, that most of us are not familiar with other VHF propagation modes. There are several that might be useful.

This past weekend, I observed an experiment using 2m SSB to communicate between the Kearny Mesa area of San Diego, and Ocotillo Wells, a distance of some 60 miles. The path went over the top of Mt. Cuyamaca. It is not known if the mode was troposcatter, knife edge refraction, or what. More importantly, we don't know if it is stable with weather conditions. But it is very tantalizing, and such experiments need to be repeated.

2m FM simplex will frequently work in cases where no one expects it to, simply because we get so hung up on using repeaters that we don't try. FM simplex sometimes will go for miles in rough country, because the canyons and gullies will sometimes form natural wave guides. You don't know until you try.

I hope I have whetted some appetites for experimentation. The reason that Amateur Radio has historically been a failsafe communications system, is because hams do this sort of thing as a hobby, and thereby become experts at getting things done. We understand what is going on "under the hood", and can fix or work around failures.

-David
-kc6yso

10. Re: What to do when the repeaters go down?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-01-28 01:29:51 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 9 Message: 10

David Doan wrote: During the Cedar Fire of 2003, several East County repeaters were lost because of power outages or damage to the repeater... <snip>

David,

You have some very good ideas. Also note that a number of repeaters went down after the October fires of 2007.

Regards,

Kurt Barnhart, N6MD
Volunteer Moderator for this group

11. Public Information

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-01-26 04:34:34 UTC
From: Mark Williams
Topic: 11 Message: 11

One item from the fires that kept coming up was the lack of communications/useful information people in the fire areas had.

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These transmitters could be place upon churches, schools, community buildings. Pretty much anywhere - and have a battery back-up.

Thoughts?

Mark
KF6ZBF

12. Re: Public Information

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-01-28 01:46:09 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 11 Message: 12

Mark Williams <mwilli5542@...> wrote:
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Mark,

I hope someone with more knowledge that I have will respond to your message. It seems like a great idea.

We actually researched that topic a few years ago and it was discussed at a local club meeting that I attended.

Maybe if you Google "low power AM" and "low power FM" you will find more information.

One AM site I found was -->> http://www.lpam.info/

The FCC has a low power FM site...
http://www.fcc.gov/mb/audio/lpfm/index.html

What I remember reading is...

1) Most low power AM stations (less than 100 watts) are licensed to government entities: towns, municipalities, parks. airports, Cal-trans, federal agencies etc.

2) Low power FM stations (10 or 100 watts) have been licensed to non-profit groups such as schools, churches and charitable groups. One San Diego County Ham club was investigating whether they or their town government could get a low power FM license. I have read that this is do-able but expensive and time-consuming.

3) I believe that Part 15 allows you to operate an AM radio station with an antenna of less that 3 meters (around 10 feet) and 100 milliwatts or less without a license. This would be a very short range but might do some of the things you suggest. You must make sure you do not interfere with any commercial licensed broadcasters, but with 100 mw that would be unlikely.

4) Somewhere in Part 97 it specifically prohibits Amateur Radio Operators from "broadcasting" to the public.

5) Commercial broadcasters aren't favorable to competition and probably would not support your ideas.

So... while there apparently are some formidable challenges, it may
be possible to do something similar to what you suggest.

Nothing innovative ever happens until someone puts some work into it.
The FCC sometimes makes new rules when people make suggestions. Maybe your congressman can help you. Nothing is impossible.

Please send another message if you learn anything more about this.

Does anyone else have any knowledge in this area?

73,

-- Kurt, N6MD

13. Re: Public Information

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-01-28 14:49:01 UTC
From: Craig A. Williams
Topic: 11 Message: 13

--- In SANARES-IDEAS@yahoogroups.com, "Mark Williams" <mwilli5542@...>
wrote:
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I have talked our CERT teams into this but it has been very difficult to get community members to even attend disaster prep. meetings let alone use an FRS radio. And yet, after every major fire, community members whine they don't know what to do or didn't have any information on what was going on. Disaster prep. is a hard sell even here where we have 3 or 4 minor fires a year. See www.campofire.org, the Disaster button.

Craig Williams
W6CAW
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14. Re: San Diego ARES

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-01-29 16:01:58 UTC
From: Bob Boehme
Topic: 7 Message: 14

Had a nice talk with Jim Cammarano and we discussed several of the issues I brought up (previous message posted Jan 27.) Our talk was positive and I am planning to get more involved in ARES...

15. Re: Public Information

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-01-28 18:42:22 UTC
From: jjcammarano
Topic: 11 Message: 15

Hi Craig,

It was great to work with you in the post fire.

We had a simiar discussion at the last ROARS meeting. I recommended that they use a VHF or UHF net for local communications and have NCS with capabilites to monitor VHF/UHF as well as HF. They can monitor the local VHF/UHF nets as well as an HF net. When messages need to be passed out of the area, they can relay it via HF.

I have been checking into the SDG ARES Sunday HF nets for a few years and we always manage to hear each other on 75 meters. We are planning a session on how to build an inexpensive multiband NVIS antenna.

Another solution is to have portable or mobile cross band repeaters that are self contained and can be recharged via solar,wind, generator etc. We have used yaesu ft-8900r's for this purpose.

73 de KG6R,

Jim Cammarano, SDG ARES SEC

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16. Re: San Diego ARES

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-01-28 18:31:34 UTC
From: jjcammarano
Topic: 7 Message: 16

Hi All,

I sent an email to Bob and he said he would perfer to discuss this via telephone. I will give him a call. He also said that he has not been involved with ARES for several years.

My contact information is on our website www.sdgares.net. We also have a suggestion "box" on our front page.

73 de KG6R,

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17. Re: Public Information

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-02-03 16:28:23 UTC
From: kb4hb
Topic: 11 Message: 17

--- In SDG-EMER-IDEAS@yahoogroups.com, "Mark Williams"
<mwilli5542@...> wrote:
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> One item from the fires that kept coming up was the lack of
> communications/useful information people in the fire areas had.

We had a slightly different issue in Ramona. The reverse 911
call to evacuate the whole town put everybody on the road
resulting in gridlock. Many people were listening to the AM
radio stations, but these stations were giving conflicting
information on where to evacuate to. For example, one station
was advising people to go to Poway, when the Poway shelter
was closing.

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> route information, sever weather, road clousers, fire or flooding.

A few years ago, after the Cedar fire, we explored this for
the Ramona community. We even setup a 160m station at the
fire station to test coverage. Basically, we have no
confidence that a low power AM station would effectively
cover the entire Ramona area.

Another issue is that people need to know to tune in. This
is an even more difficult problem to solve. The Alpine
station broadcasts normal, local news and information, so
people can get used to tuning in. IMHO, in order to make
this feasible you need continuous programming, like KOGO.

In the state EAS plan, KOGO is the primary EAS station for
San Diego county. This is what we noted in the Ramona Comm
Plan for the general public.

During the Witch Creek fire, we did have a void in our
Ramona coverage, especially for FRS. But we have a good
plan in place to solve that problem next time. Also, we
are beginning an information campaign to teach people
about FRS use during an emergency. For the most part,
FRS seemed to work well for us, the void occurred because
we did not have a direct link between the incident PIO
and FRS. We will fix that deficiency next time.
-- richard

19. Message regarding SDG ARES for March 14, 2006

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-14 23:53:59 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 19 Message: 19

As of March 14, 2008, it appears that there will be changes in the management of San Diego ARES. As a temporary measure, this group is being provided as a communications hub and contact point for people interested in SDG ARES.

An independent moderator, Kurt Barnhart, N6MD, is currently moderating this discussion group. After April 1, 2008, this group will be turned over to the new Section Manager, Steve Early, AD6VI and anyone whom he choses to lead SDG ARES.

Send private or confidential messages to -->> N6MD@...

Send public messages (to be posted to this group)
to -->> SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com

Please keep all public messages polite, professional, informative and and constructive.

Stay tuned.

20. PRESS RELEASE: San Diego Radio Emergency Medical Communications

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-15 01:17:24 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 20 Message: 20

This press release was forwarded to us by a third party...

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

New Disaster Emergency Radio Communications Group
to Support San Diego County and Healthcare Facilities
San Diego, CA 3/10/08 ☐ Experienced FEMA trained,
FCC licensed Amateur Radio Responders have formed
a new group to support San Diego County and
hospitals. They will provide backup emergency
radio and digital communications support during
drills and disasters. San Diego Radio Emergency
Medical Communications is the new organization.

In the 2007 Firestorms, dedicated emergency radio
responders from this group provided backup
emergency communications for the County Emergency
Medical Services, State Office of Emergency
Services as well as the trauma centers and
community hospitals including: Sharp Memorial,
Scripps Memorial, Scripps Mercy, UCSD Hillcrest,
Palomar, Kaiser Zion, Fallbrook, and Tri-City hospitals.

Thérèse E. Rymer, Director, Emergency
Preparedness & Response University of California,
San Diego Medical Center stated: ☐ responders
worked around the clock to provide emergency
communication capability. They were available to
participate in UCSD Medical Center briefings and
monitored radio traffic, informing the Command
Center of community status. The responders
provide an important capability as part of our
Medical Center☐s emergency communication
plan.☐ We look forward to always being very
fortunate in having these radio operators with us
in times of disaster.☐ - Dee Osargent, B.S.
Disaster Preparedness/Scripps Systemwide
Emergency Radios Coordinator Scripps Memorial Hospital - La Jolla

Responders were deployed during 2007 the fires
and in the Barrett Junction, Dulzura, Deerhorn
Valley, and Potrero areas for three weeks
afterward. If you have an FCC amateur radio
license and are interested in giving back to the

community by becoming a vital member for
emergency radio communications service please
contact Jim Cammarano, MBA, KG6R at 858-449-6825 or
jjcammarano@...

For further information contact
Jim Cammarano, MBA, KG6R
858-449-6825
jjcammarano@...

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21. What Does that Press Release Mean?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-15 02:09:02 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 21 Message: 21

Folks,

If my understanding is correct, the press release in the previous message means that the current ARES leadership team, Jim Cammarano, KG6R and Teri Rowe, KI6FKD, have decided to start a new radio communications group to work with the emergency medical service agencies and hospitals that were served, up until now, by SDG ARES, which is affiliated with and governed by the ARRL.

There's more discussion about this here -->>
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDG-SM-2008/messages

At last weekend's regular ARES meeting, Mr. Cammarano and Ms. Rowe made this announcement to the group in attendance. After the meeting, it was reported that most of the people in the room, including some ARES board members, agreed to join the new group.

It's entirely possible that the separation of the EMS services group from ARRL and the SDG Section may prove to be a positive development.

The ARES leadership has been at odds for some time with a portion of the ARRL membership in the SDG section. The ARES leadership has focused on serving the interests of the EMS and medical communities first, and the wishes of the ARRL and local ARRL members second.

Since the EMS community and the ARRL have different needs and different opinions about some matters, this has put Mr. Cammarano and Ms. Rowe into an awkward position at times. For example, San Diego County's EMS group within the County government requires volunteers to undergo a background check, while the ARRL's national policy does not support this.

There are other issues that play into the mix, but the bottom line is that the new independent medical communications group lead by Mr. Cammarano and Ms. Rowe will now be able to focus solely on serving the EMS community. Amateur radio operators who wish to join their group may do so. Those who wish to join ARES may also do so. Some may decide to join both groups, although it is not clear at this time whether that would result in any conflicts of interest or questions about loyalties.

With the EMS group separate from ARES, different missions can be pursued, different guidelines can be applied and different people can be involved. While some of us don't like to see Amateur Operators being divided into different groups, the realities of human nature and human behavior have made it unpractical for everyone to be seated on the same bus headed towards the same destination. People are

different. They have different likes and dislikes, goals and objectives. If this were not true, there would be only one company making computers, one company making amateur radios, one making breakfast cereal, and so on.

So now there will be two county-wide Amateur Radio organizations in San Diego providing emergency communications to served agencies (or three, if you count RACES). This is a big county -- larger in population than 18 or 20 states -- so there's no reason to think that both groups cannot be successful in achieving their missions.

The one message we've heard that seems nearly unanimous is that everyone wants the discord to end. Perhaps the developments of this week will facilitate that.

The main purpose of this discussion forum for the next few weeks will be to provide a temporary online communications hub and contact point for people interested in SDG ARES to discuss the future of ARES until April 1, when the new Section Manager takes office and will presumably appoint new leaders to run ARES. After then, the temporary moderators will turn over this forum to the new section manager and anyone whom the new SM chooses to lead SDG ARES going forward.

Everyone is invited to post positive and constructive messages about the future of SDG ARES -- positive, constructive and progressive suggestions and creative ideas that will help ARES become a harmonious, productive, focused organization.

Let's allow the past to fade into history.

73,

Kurt Barnhart, N6MD
Freelance Writer
San Diego County

22. New group for EMS at Hospitals

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-15 03:46:39 UTC
From: Mark Williams
Topic: 22 Message: 22

Jim has done a great job of developing an idea and implementing it.

I don't see a conflict of interest between RACES, ARES, CERT, the Hospital Group, SOBARS, Six Shooters, ECRA, Palomar, El Cajon, and the many others I have missed.

There are many ways to help during a disaster - if so inclined, pick one or more.

CERT teaches self activation. To me this makes perfect sense. CERT is the "B" Team for our local Fire Department and IF a problem was to occur, we all will know about it, once the ground stops shaking, or the smoke rises high enough, or the tide recedes.

ARES, RACES, and the Hospital Group will wait to be invited in. This too makes sense for the needs of the served agencies.

We have fifty states that makes up our country. We have two large and several small political parties. There are dozens of radio and television formats. We are not all the same - however during a disaster, I think we all want to help however we can.

I feel the HAM radio community should support any and all groups that can assist during a disaster. This is neighbors helping neighbors.

Hopefully Jim's new group will develop, become very successful and bring new faces into the HAM radio community. I also hope that ARES will set the best course it desires and grow in a manner that develops new HAM's into community support.

I think we should all support ALL groups that fit each person's personal ideas. My first priority must be my family. Second in the community is the Imperial Beach CERT Team. This is why I joined ARES. Third will be where I can provide assistance to help the greatest need.

I think we can all unite under the common theme of helping others. That is what it is all about.

This will take TEAM work. (Together Everyone Accomplishes More)

73's
Mark
KF6ZBF

23. Re: What to do when the repeaters go down?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-15 02:57:36 UTC
From: Craig A. Williams
Topic: 9 Message: 23

This is why, I believe, there needs to be good communications between Ham groups. during the 03, and 07 fires, none of the RACES repeaters were off the air. They are on the same sites as the County 800 system and powered by the same emergency power systems. With sites all over the county and coverage to El Centro these 6M, 2M, 220 and 70Cm systems are the counties best ham emergency resource. All are invited to any RACES meeting for more details. Contact Steve at KE6CWP@... for directions and times.

Craig W6CAW

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, David Doan <ddoan73@...> wrote:
>
> What to do when the repeaters go down?
>
> During the Cedar Fire of 2003, several East County repeaters
> were lost because of power outages or damage to the
> repeater. Toward the end of the emergency, we were down to
> one repeater with suitable coverage. It had to carry both
> American Red Cross shelter traffic and CDF Public
> Information Officer traffic. Because neither net had heavy
> traffic demands, we got through it. But it was a near
> thing.
>
> What if we had lost that repeater?
>
> We have gotten altogether too reliant on repeaters for
> emergency communications. Or for rag chewing, for that
> matter. It's easy. It's cheap. And it works well, most of
> the time. All one needs is a 2m FM mobile radio, and short
> whip on a mag mount. Or even an HT.
>
> What are the alternatives for point to point communications?
> For mobile communications?
>
> I'm going to suggest a couple, in the hope that it will
> inspire others to make suggestions and improvements. Some
> things that will work for fixed portable locations are not
> suitable for mobile. There are no right answers here. What
> we need is a good long list of possibilities.
>
> NVIS (Near Vertical Incidence Skywave) propagation is one
> way to do local and regional communications. NVIS operates
> at HF frequencies low enough to be returned to the ground
> when propagated nearly straight up. Right now, at the low

> of the sunspot cycle, that means 80 m in the daytime. 80 m
> NVIS at night is marginal to poor. 160 m might work at
> night, but I don't know anyone using it. Usable NVIS
> frequencies will be higher as the sunspot numbers start to
> increase. Nighttime operation will also improve.
>
> NVIS antennas are horizontally polarized, and no more than
> 1/4 wave above the ground. Vertical antennas have a null
> straight up, and so they will not work. This means that
> NVIS is good for fixed portable, but not for mobile.
>
> Another mode I have experimented with is 160 m ground wave.
> This mode has the advantage of being independent of
> sunspots, but it does not have a very great range. The
> experiments I have done indicate reasonably reliable
> communication between mobiles at distances of 10 - 15 miles,
> using center loaded whips. The antenna efficiency was
> estimated to be around 1 %. Better antennas will surely
> help, but 160 m meters is about the highest frequency at
> which ground wave will work at all, and the attenuation over
> average ground is high.
>
> Given the proper antennas, this mode can be useful for
> either mobile or fixed portable.
>
> We have come become so used to using repeaters, that most of
> us are not familiar with other VHF propagation modes. There
> are several that might be useful.
>
> This past weekend, I observed an experiment using 2m SSB to
> communicate between the Kearny Mesa area of San Diego, and
> Ocotillo Wells, a distance of some 60 miles. The path went
> over the top of Mt. Cuyamaca. It is not known if the mode
> was troposcatter, knife edge refraction, or what. More
> importantly, we don't know if it is stable with weather
> conditions. But it is very tantalizing, and such
> experiments need to be repeated.
>
> 2m FM simplex will frequently work in cases where no one
> expects it to, simply because we get so hung up on using
> repeaters that we don't try. FM simplex sometimes will go
> for miles in rough country, because the canyons and gullies
> will sometimes form natural wave guides. You don't know
> until you try.
>
> I hope I have whetted some appetites for experimentation.
> The reason that Amateur Radio has historically been a
> failsafe communications system, is because hams do this sort
> of thing as a hobby, and thereby become experts at getting
> things done. We understand what is going on "under the

> hood", and can fix or work around failures.
>
> -David
> -kc6yso
>

24. Addendum to message 21...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-15 06:45:50 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 24 Message: 24

Thanks to everyone for the nice comments you've been sending about this group. Feel free to write me privately at N6MD@....

Or better yet, send a positive idea or suggestion for everyone to read.

Send to -->> SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com

I have been asked to mention some of the other County-wide Amateur Radio-Equipped Groups that serve our communities including Skywarn, American Red Cross, SATERN and Coast Guard to name a few. On the local city and community levels are individual Amateur Radio Clubs and CERT teams, that are usually affiliated with local Fire Departments.

We also should have made it clear that Jim Cammarano plans to remains as the Section Emergency Coordinator until March 31, 2008.

73,

-- Kurt, N6MD

25. Re: What to do when the repeaters go down?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-15 04:04:26 UTC
From: Mark Williams
Topic: 9 Message: 25

Maybe - dumb idea - we should do a county wide simplex exercise. 2m, 440 - HT and Base stations. Maybe have a few mobiles drive to the repeater sites too.

Stay on the air long enough to map out who gets what - and who can fill blind spots.

Maybe a dumb idea.

73's
Mark
KF6ZBF

"Craig A. Williams" <craig@...> wrote:
This is why, I believe, there needs to be good communications between Ham groups. during the 03, and 07 fires, none of the RACES repeaters were off the air....

26. Emergency Amateur Radio groups

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-15 04:18:15 UTC
From: rbeisigl
Topic: 26 Message: 26

I would like to add one other group to the list already mentioned; and it is REACT.

The members of REACT are Amateur radio operators who have helped out with our Red Flag Patrols, helped out at the last Diabetes bike run, and they also provide security and do other jobs for the thunder boat races on Mission Bay.

I know many of the members of REACT, and they are very professional and do a great job wherever they are assigned.

Rich Beisigl, N6NKJ

Amateur Radio Volunteer Coordinator
for the VIP CAL FIRE Program

27. ARES

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-15 03:58:59 UTC
From: Michael Maston
Topic: 27 Message: 27

Gentlemen (and Ladies),

ARES is an organ of the ARRL. However, it appears to me at least that the ARRL laize faire attitude is not working at the present time.

SANDARC is a council of San Diego clubs. We are organized to assist the amateur radio communities by the members of the community. SANDARC provides a host of services to the clubs and the amateur radio community at large with no strings attached. Our leadership is democratically elected and all actions are done in an open congenial manner. We too are all volunteers.

San Diego ARES is also a member of the council. That is to facilitate communications between the San Diego section and the local amateur radio community.

Having written all of this, I'm really not sure what SANDARC can do except to welcome the new leadership and hope that things would calm down and cool down. While SANDARC is affiliated with the ARRL it is not an organ thereof and is independent to be the unbiased spokesman for the San Diego amateurs.

The SANDARC leadership is dedicated to serving the needs of the members clubs for which it represents. Many of the member clubs membership are participants within SDARES and have assisted in the past firestorms and other emergencies and drills. It is in the best interests of SANDARC for ARES to succeed. This is important as non hams who see the squabling would then think ill of the entire community based on the actions/reactions of a few. Then when it comes time to erect an antenna, we then meet resistance from the non ham community who don't understand the dynamics of radio.

I as chairman have had in the past to appear before a San Diego city council committee to defend the right of a local ham to erect an antenna. This time we prevailed. A fragmented amateur radio community bodes ill for growth and cooperation. SANDARC is trying to prevent that, but cannot do that alone.

I have seen a suggestion that SANDARC sponsor a pizza feed or at least fund part of it. First and foremost, the council would need to approve the expenditure but more importantly we would need to decide on the wiliness to embrace the concept. SANDARC and ARES have always operated at an arm's length. I would think that more discussion and fleshing out of the proposal would be necessary for SANDARC to act positively to this action.

We are all honorable people. We are all volunteers. Our first instinct is to serve the public during times of emergency and tragedy. There are no indispensable people. We all have our own talents that

lend themselves to our activities. We use them and then move on.

The section manager election is over. SANDARC will welcome him and then wait and see what he has to offer to the ARES organization and the amateur radio community. Just as a wise considerate radio operator would do, he would listen before jumping into a QSO. That at the present time would be the wisest course of action.

Michael P Maston, N6OPH
Chairman
SANDARC, Inc.

28. Re: What to do when the repeaters go down?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-15 15:20:48 UTC
From: Craig A. Williams
Topic: 9 Message: 28

MARA does a county wide simplex exercise every 6 months.

see http://marasandiego.org/simplex/

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, Mark Williams <mwilli5542@...> wrote:
> Maybe - dumb idea - we should do a county wide simplex exercise.
2m, 440 - HT and Base stations. Maybe have a few mobiles drive to the
repeater sites too.
> Stay on the air long enough to map out who gets what - and who can
fill blind spots.

29. Re: What Does that Press Release Mean?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-17 02:52:25 UTC
From: Dean Jacobsen
Topic: 21 Message: 29

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, N6MD Kurt Barnhart <N6MD@...>
wrote:
>Some may decide to join both groups, although it is not clear at this time whether that would result in any conflicts of interest or questions about loyalties.

I hope that the question of loyalties does not come up Kurt. As has
been mentioned by yourself and others, the common goal is the desire to
serve and to do something good. I would be unfortunate if anyone's
loyalty was called into question because they wanted to serve in one
area or another.

Dean Jacobsen, W6DBJ

30. Information on San Diego ARES

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-27 21:44:27 UTC
From: Dean Jacobsen
Topic: 30 Message: 30

Hi All, does anyone know any updated source of information regarding what is happening with SDGARES as we approach the change of command?

The web site www.sdgares.net does not have any updated information regarding meeting times, new directors, etc.

Thanks,

Dean Jacobsen, W6DBJ

31. Information on San Diego ARES

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-28 14:14:31 UTC
From: Craig A. Williams
Topic: 30 Message: 31

I believe they are in the process of ripping themselves in 1/2, again.

Craig Williams W6CAW

Moderator's note: Craig, please let me say that a relatively small number of individuals are at odds in the SDG section and a much larger number want to see harmony, cooperation and progressive forward action.

You can read the previous posts from the ARES leadership that leave office on April 1 as well as the new SM who takes office on April 1. They have both articulated their perspectives.

The outgoing leaders have formed a new group that has a finely-tuned, focused mission of providing emergency communications to SD County EMS, hospitals and potentially other medical organizations. A number of licensed amateur radio operators have joined the new group and it will operate independendly from the ARRL. Many of us hope that they will be successful on their own.

The incoming SM has stated that he intends to build and expand the ARRL-managed ARES organization into a strong, smooth-functioning team that delivers a variety of valuable services to a variety of entities.

If you study the business world, you'll find many examples of organizations that have divided into two or more parts and gone on to become successful, profitable companies. Hewlett-Packard and Agilent are recent examples that come to mind. Also remember that Apple Computer was founded by a guy who worked at H-P over 30 years ago and left to start his own company with several friends.

One would hope that there is no reason that a County as large as San Diego (larger than many states) cannot benefit from two well-managed organizations that leverage different strategies and techniques to deliver different kinds of service to a variety of consumers.

Let's hope that these two organizations will each find their own niche where they can function successfully, and by operating separately the they'll be able to overcome and transcend the differences of opinions that have been expressed. Different viewpoints can often lead to constructive diversity that can benefit the end-user consumers, who are in this case, the medical community and the public at large in the SDG section.

Perhaps we can look at this as an organism that has divided into two new parts that will each grow and thrive on their own, and not as one that is "ripping itself in half."

Doesn't that sound more hopeful?

-- Kurt, N6MD

32. A New Year, a New Moderator and a New Leaf

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-29 02:36:16 UTC
From: Moderator
Topic: 32 Message: 32

Beginning Tuesday, April 1, 2008 this group will have a new moderator.

He will be Steve Early, AD6VI, ad6vi@..., 2008-2010 ARRL Section
Manager for SDG.

You are encouraged to post positive, progressive suggestions regarding Emergency
Communications and the operations of SDG ARES.

If you have a complaint or a bone to pick with anyone, send a PRIVATE message to AD6VI@...
and ask Steve to resolve your issue.

Let's keep all public messages in this discussion group 100% positive and upbeat. Let the
past fade into history, turn over a new leaf and move forward to a positive, productive
future.

This can be done if everyone cooperates, right?

73,

-- Kurt Barnhart, N6MD
San Diego County

33. RE: A New Year, a New Moderator and a New Leaf...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-29 18:08:20 UTC
From: Judy
Topic: 33 Message: 33

Steve,

Congratulations on your new office! I don't have a lot of free (or ham)time, but I'm keeping an eye on ARRL and ARES. I stay in touch with Ted Hamm and Fred Brown about CERO.

Thanks, Judy Reed KI6ETB (Coronado Fire Dept. staff)

34. NEW BEGINNINGS

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-29 19:11:17 UTC
From: Jim Egerton
Topic: 34 Message: 34

We are indeed starting a new page in the San Diego/Imperial County Section of the ARRL.

The needs and aspirations of the section have not changed, just the leadership.

I for one am excited to see a organization that is inclusive and not exclusive.

We all have ways we can contribute to the success of the Section and one of the first ways is to plan for the future and not dwell on the past.

Welcome Steve Early I wish you the very best in your efforts.

W6SST 73

35. NEW BEGINNINGS

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-29 23:46:30 UTC
From: GAYLE OLSON
Topic: 34 Message: 35

Steve and all,

What timing.... The Gov just created a new position and appointed someone to fill the job. It is an extremely high level State position. The person is in charge of all volunteer efforts throughout the state. I think we need to get on her radar ASAP and show us off as a huge resource al the time and especially in emergencies etc. So, Steve, I welcome you by offering you an assignment. I hope you agree that it is a nesessary one.

The greatest contribution to humankind is to be sure there is a teacher in every classroom who cares that every student every day learns, grows and is treated with dignity and respect.

Gayle Olson
K6GO

36. EMCOMM Ideas from Australia

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-30 09:49:10 UTC
From: Patrick Mullen
Topic: 30 Message: 36

The folks down under are accomplishing useful work. Here is a note recently received from John Alcorn, VK2JWA, of Lismore, New
South Wales, Australia. I have been geting notes from a couple of HAMS in Lismore ever since Eric, VK2TRD, visited my home several years ago. This group doesn't seem to be having organizational issues. They just seem to do what needs to be done:

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"Co-coordinator's Report 2007-8, WICEN(NR)

Welcome to the AGM of WICEN, Northern Rivers Region.
We have had a mixed year of events, callouts and quiet periods.
Our AGM last year followed by the Paddle for Life exercise.
Lending and setting up our portable repeater for the SES Horse enduro.
A Training Course was held in July and a Horse Enduro in September.
We attended the opening of the new Lismore SES Local Headquarters.
These events involved 31 operators and over 265 duty hours.
This does not include planning, preparation or recovery times.
Plus 52 nets averaging about seven attendees and about 190 hours.

On a more serious note we had three callouts assisting the SES.
A severe storm hit the Lismore region on 9 October, SES called us out.
About 700 SES jobs were done since 9 Oct generating about 800 messages.
Eight WICEN members were rostered over a period of four days 11 - 14 Oct.07.
We handled about 530 messages over about 50 hours on duty.
This totalled about 150 operator hours
Our active participation ended at 5pm on Sunday 14 Oct 07.
SES Lismore City Controller Lindsay Matterson thanked us for our assistance.
I thank all those who assisted and participated in any way. They were -
VK2's XKX, DLR, EA, KGK, FADE, PIX, HRW and JWA.
Other known calls, members of SES, were VK2's WAT, KTM, IB and PF.

At 1600K Friday, 26 Oct. a severe storm moved through the Richmond River district. Major damage was suffered by buildings and infrastructure around Dunoon 15 Kms north of Lismore and also in Lismore.
Treefalls and debris blocked roads. Power and phones were cut over a wide area. SES support and recovery teams commenced working in the area.
WICEN was put on standby at 1800 and activated at 2300.
About 60 jobs were done since 26 Oct generating about 350 messages.

Five WICEN members were rostered over a period of three days 26-28 Oct.07.
We handled about 350 messages over about 28 hours on duty.
This totalled about 75 operator hours
Our active participation ended at 1300L 28Oct07.

On Friday night, 2 Nov. a severe storm moved through the Lismore area.
Damage was suffered by buildings and infrastructure around Lismore.
Many had been damaged by the earlier storms.
SES support and recovery teams commenced working in the area.
WICEN was activated at 0900L by the Lismore City SES Controller.
During 3 Nov we staffed the SES COMCEN for the day.
About 47 jobs were dealt with generating about 120 messages.
Four WICEN members were rostered over the day.
We handled these messages over about 12 hours on duty.
This totalled about 35 operator hours.
Our active participation ended at 2100L 3 Nov07.
All the above added up to over 715 operator hours.
Probably at least 200 hours were put into administration etc.

I thank everyone who assisted and participated in these events.
To assist in this way is the reason for our existence.
The bushfire season did not eventuate this year.
Two Horse Enduros were cancelled because of Horse flu and bad weather damage. Let's not get complacent over the last quiet four months.
We have the Paddle for Life and possibly two more Horse Enduros ahead.

I ask members to take part in as many events as you can.
Even if this means duplicating the efforts of those already there.
WE NEED THE OPERATING PRACTICE. We don't get enough.
No amount of theory, reading or on air waffle, as we do, is a substitute for serious traffic handling.

It cannot be learned adequately, it MUST be practiced.

While we are nowadays mostly called in to operate the equipment of the emergency services in their COMCENs this may not always be the case.
They are usually well equipped.
However history has shown that in dramatic emergencies the most sophisticated services usually fail first.
The basic needs and simplicity of Amateur radio means it gets back on air first.
This repeatedly happens worldwide and, in my memory, twice in Lismore.

So, be in the training, get practice on air, keep your gear and portability in order for that unexpected event.
I thank all those who helped this year and in particular John Toland, VK2XKX.
His dedication and efficiency as our Secretary/Treasurer is invaluable.
I ask all to take part and assist at every opportunity next year.
Yours,

73,
John Alcorn, VK2JWA.
Coordinator.
WICEN (Northern Rivers Region)"

37. NEW BEGINNINGS

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-03-31 21:57:51 UTC
From: Craig A. Williams
Topic: 34 Message: 37

Gayle,

Funny you should have mentioned it. They had a get together last month. Steve and I were there for the ARRL and RACES. Hopefully we will hear back soon. It's a State Cabinet position over the new Disaster Corps.

Craig Williams W6CAW

-----Original Message-----
From: GAYLE OLSON
Sent: Saturday, March 29, 2008 4:47 PM
To: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com
Subject: NEW BEGINNINGS

Steve and all,

What timing.... The Gov just created a new position and appointed someone to fill the job. It is an extremely high level State position. The person is in charge of all volunteer efforts throughout the state. I think we need to get on her radar ASAP and show us off as a huge resource al the time and especially in emergencies etc. So, Steve, I welcome you by offering you an assignment. I hope you agree that it is a nesessary one.

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who cares that every student every day learns, grows and is treated with dignity and respect.

Gayle Olson
K6GO

38. Very Brief Q&A Notes with the NEW SDG Section Manager

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-01 15:48:52 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 38 Message: 38

Posted by Kurt Barnhart, N6MD, independent free lance writer.

April 1, 2008 marks the beginning of a new term of office for the ARRL Section Manager for San Diego and Imperial Counties. The new section manager taking office today is Steve Early, AD6VI who resides in La Mesa.

Last week, a group of about a dozen Amateur Radio operators in Ramona met with AD6VI to discuss his ideas and plans for the section. The following is a very brief text summary of some of the questions and answers from that dialogue, which lasted for about an hour. This brief summary was complied by N6MD from memory (with assistance from AD6VI), and is accurate to the best of my recollection. A few of the longer questions have been abbreviated for clarity.

Please feel free to send additional questions for Steve to answer publicly.

Send your public questions to SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com and they will be answered in this forum.

Please make sure that all public questions and comments posted are positive and constructive. Public criticism of past events or former section personnel is not appropriate for this forum, which seeks to help build a positive future for SDG ARES and the SDG Section.

Also feel free to send private email messages and comments to Steve at - AD6VI@...

Question and Answer Summary from Wednesday, March 26, 2008, Ramona, CA

Q: What are your top priorities for the SDG Section for the next 90 days?
Answer from AD6VI:
1) Get the Section on track to better serve the amateur community.
2) Meet with current Section/SDGARES personnel to resolve issues.
3) Fill vacancies with appropriate persons.
4) Get the SDGARES EMS program back to October 2007 levels of service.
5) Establish Section wide/Program wide training plan, schedules and venues.
6) Get Social programs (like HAM Radio Round-up) and community events back onto calendar.

Q: What new programs / initiatives are you planning for 2008?
A: Services for the Amateur Community, such as Licensing/Upgrade and Get-on-the-air and Get-on-HF seminars. Establish Section wide/Program wide training plan, schedules and venues. Get Social programs (like HAM Radio Round-up) and community events back onto calendar.

Q: What are your expectations for ARES?
A: A number have opportunities have recently presented themselves for ARES. We need to push ARES and the programs that directly support ARES the hardest, yet be certain to push/support all programs. The key is to run as fast as we can without tripping.

Q: Former SDG SEC Jim Cammarano has announced a new independent group called San Diego Radio Emergency Medical Communications (Remcom). Will you or ARES try to compete with Remcom in serving the EMS community?
A: Competition may be an appropriate word. Competition is certainly good for causing us to improve service. I have met with San Diego County EMS personnel and expect the SDGARES programs to support County EMS to the best of our ability. These county personnel understand that a split has occurred and that we will likely take a month or two to get back on track.

Q: Have you selected a new SEC to replace the outgoing SEC?
A: Not yet. I am actively speaking with potential candidates.

Q: What will ARES and the SDG section's relationship be with Cal Fire and Red Cross?
A: Improved. I am a past Chair and current member of the SDIC Red Cross Committee. I am on good terms with this organization and with the Cal Fire PIO (Roxanne Provaznik) and Amateur Radio Liaison (Rich Beisigl).I see opportunities with both organizations.

Q: Are there any new plans for ARES to support or interact with CERT?
A: My expectation is that we will support All agencies to the best of our ability. To do this, we must understand our current limits and how to expand them to higher levels of service

Q: Why should new Hams join ARRL and participate in SDG programs and events?
A: At this very moment, receiving QST magazine is the only reason. A month or two, from now, I hope to report that there is a significant amount of help in the Section for new HAMs, in learning the radio art and science.

Q: What will be done to recruit new members into ARRL from SDG?
A: In conjunction with the existing ARRL efforts, I expect foster a user friendly atmosphere in the Section and invite as many as will participate in our programs.

Q: Are any new clubs joining up and affiliating with ARRL?
A: Gary Kent, the Affiliate Club Coordinator should answer this. I am aware that Gary has been actively contacting Clubs. However, as of this writing, I have not yet received any official reports.

Q: What is the total ARRL membership in SDG?
A: On January 11, 2008, the Section Campaign list showed 1490, of which about 40 were known Silent Keys and people who have recently moved out of the section.

Q: What's the latest on SANDARC and TASMA?
A: Both are moving along. TASMA can use observers in our area to monitor and document two-meter repeater usage. If we find coordinated repeater pairs that are not being used, TASMA can be petitioned to reassign an unused coordinated pair to a new user, however this does take some time.

39. Re: Very Brief Q&A Notes with the NEW SDG Section Manager

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-01 17:45:13 UTC
From: bluckow2003
Topic: 38 Message: 39

thanks for publishing this. Its good to see the direction and vision.
-bill
N1BL

40. Spelling Error in Message 38

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-02 00:05:20 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 40 Message: 40

In message 38 -->> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDGARES-2008/message/38

The third sentence in the third paragraph should read:

"This brief summary was COMPILED (instead of complied)..."

Sorry for any misunderstanding this may have caused.

41. Re: Very Brief Q&A Notes .....Thanks!

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-02 14:51:40 UTC
From: Ed Felter
Topic: 38 Message: 41

Thanks for this kind of transparency! It is very refreshing and I believe good days are ahead for SDG and for emergency service to our communities. I commend Steve AD6VI our new Section Manager. A special word of appreciation goes to Kurt N6MD, whom I have not met, for the continuing efforts toward excellent communication. Gents, keep up the good work.

73

Ed, AI6O

42. Re: Very Brief Q&A Notes .....Thanks!

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-02 16:41:56 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NZ6T
Topic: 38 Message: 42

From what I have seen in the past, Steve is a very good man, and above all, honest. What you see is what you get.

I am so looking forward to this new administration, and the bringing together of ARES once again.

Congrats once again Steve.

43. Re: Very Brief Q&A Notes with the NEW SDG Section Manager

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-03 05:32:09 UTC
From: Tom Aterno KI6ASP
Topic: 38 Message: 43

Kurt,
Are you the same person I met at the Orienteering meet near Ocotillo Wells? If so, I was pleased to meet you.
Keep up the good communications regarding our section manager and all things amateur radio in San Diego.
Tom KI6ASP

44. Independent News Group: SDG-HamNews

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-03 05:55:21 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 38 Message: 44

At 10:32 PM 4/2/2008, Tom KI6ASP wrote:
>Kurt, Are you the same person I met at the Orienteering meet near
>Ocotillo Wells? If so, I was pleased to meet you.
>Keep up the good communications regarding our section manager and
>all things amateur radio in San Diego.
>Tom KI6ASP
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Thanks, Tom. Yes, that was me who you met along with some great Hams who donated their time to work for the Orienteering meet. A few of the people I remember there were Jim Egerton, Bob Birch, Tom Martin, Andre Hansen and the unforgettable Wild Bill and Ellen. Those folks also did some propagation tests between Ocotillo and Downtown SD as an emergency preparedness drill. THAT is what Amateur Radio is all about. Cooperation, innovation and imagination. Wow.

As time permits, I'll keep reporting on Amateur Radio happenings in the San Diego area in this Yahoo Group occasionally and also in another independent group located at -->>
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDG-HamNews

Please email your news tips and news announcements to that group -->>
SDG-HamNews@yahoogroups.com

That is the same group I used to report independently on the 2008 SDG SM election. The name and address has been changed since the election is now over. That group will continue to be a completely independent source of information that is unattached, unaffiliated and unbiased with a commitment to accuracy, neutrality, balance and fairness.

If you have questions you need answered about Amateur Radio News Developments in the San Diego area, please send those questions too and we'll try to get them answered.

-- Kurt Barnhart, N6MD
Free Lance Writer
San Diego County

45. Darn, struck again.....

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-03 15:10:17 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NZ6T
Topic: 45 Message: 45

Wow, this is scary.
<http://mrtucks.blogspot.com/2008/04/wow-this-is-scary.html>

I thought I was having a stroke. I was standing at the lunch counter, when all of a sudden, my vision started going crazy. I could not focus on any one thing. When I started to walk, I could not keep my balance. But I had to do it. I had a job to do. I walked out the door, and made it over to a bench where I normally sit to wait for my train. I kept thinking that this problem would clear itself up.

As I was sitting there, I could tell it was not going to resolve itself, so, I got on my cell and called our control center, and asked them to call an ambulance, which they did. My BP was very high, 216/115. My Blood sugar was within normal range of 135. Good news is that I did not have stroke, did not have slurred speech, nor any other stroke symptoms.

Diagnosis was that I have third cranial nerve palsy, partial. Here is a link to what I have:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Oculomotor_nerve_palsy

I will be off for at least a week and a half, they said no driving. I feel like Pirate Jack Sparrow, as I am wearing a patch over my eye. I am walking with a walker, as my balance is not good, as my equilibrium is not good by not being able to see out of both eyes.

Hopefully my recovery will be quick, but I am putting in for state disability, so that will help out.

As always, thanks for your thoughts and prayers.

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46. Re: Darn, struck again... (Ham Health)

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-03 15:59:32 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 46 Message: 46

Tuck wrote: Wow, this is scary.
<http://mrtucks.blogspot.com/2008/04/wow-this-is-scary.html>http://mrtucks.blogspot.com/2008/04/wow-this-is-scary.html
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Holy Cow, Tuck!

Get well soon and TAKE CARE of yourself!

Please let me take this opportunity for a commentary that I hope does not offend anyone.

Those of us who are overweight (this definitely includes me), sedentary, or unhealthy in any way -- we should all get a physical and a long list of action steps from our doctors that we can follow to get ourselves healthier. It seems to me that too many Amateur Radio Operators are sedentary and not conscious of their health. I actually tried to get QST Magazine a few years ago to find a doctor who was also a Ham and get him or her to write an article about Ham health. They liked the idea but apparently were afraid that readers would be offended.

I go to too many Ham meetings and gatherings where I see people eating the wrong foods, spending too much time sitting in their shacks without enough exercise or doing various bad things to their bodies. I'm working to eat better and exercise more and I hope other Hams will too.

I don't want to get any more messages this year about silent keys!

Respectfully,

-- Kurt, N6MD

47. RE: [SDGARES-2008] Darn, struck again.....

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-04 02:38:26 UTC
From: Earl Towson
Topic: 45 Message: 47
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Hope you start feeling better soon! Glad it wasn't a stroke...

Earl R. Towson, N1QI
<mailto:etowson@...> etowson@...
Phone: 619-670-7622

48. Re: [SDGARES-2008] Darn, struck again.....

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-04 14:39:24 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NZ6T
Topic: 45 Message: 48

Thanks Earl....

Earl Towson wrote:
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> Hope you start feeling better soon! Glad it wasn't a stroke...
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> Earl R. Towson, N1QI
> <mailto:etowson@... <mailto:etowson%40cox.net>> etowson@...
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> Phone: 619-670-7622
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49. Be Well, Tuck

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-06 01:15:23 UTC
From: PATRICK MULLEN
Topic: 49 Message: 49

Be well Tuck.

Just curious.... What is your blood sugar count?

Pat, KB6OXX/XE2

50. Ham Health

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-07 15:49:29 UTC
From: whidbuick
Topic: 46 Message: 50

To those in the group, might I suggest WeightWatchers. If you want to do something about being overweight and improve your health, consider joining. I started WW in December 2007 and to date have lost 37 pounds. I have also lost 6 inches in waist. More importantly, I reduced my cholesterol by 50 points and my blood pressure was 112/82. My doctor took me off of my Lipitor medication! I am here to tell that it works! I no longer feel tired all day and have much more energy.

And no, I don't work for WeightWatchers, I just attend meetings and try to stay on track.

My 2 cents. I hope this post helps.

Fred
KI6GRO

54. Re: [SDGARES-2008] Trademark Mixup?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-12 14:13:59 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NZ6T
Topic: 51 Message: 54

As Howard pointed out, the ARRL is very serious about their trademarks. Please see:

http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/forms/ARES-Registered-Trademark.pdf

As for the domain name, it is my opinion if ARES monies were used to purchase the name, then yes, it should be turned over. If private money was used, no. However saying that, we go back to trademark issues once again. If it contains the name or abbreviations of ARES, it should not be used by any other group than ARES (Amateur Emergency Radio Service).

55. 40 meter net

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-13 15:20:54 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NZ6T
Topic: 55 Message: 55

Hi folks,

Just a reminder we still have the 40 meter net every Sunday morning at 9:30 on 7.233 + or - depending on QRM or other stations talking. If you have not checked in for a while or are new, stop by and say hi. 73,

Tuck

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56. Vision back

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-13 02:50:31 UTC
From: Tuck
Topic: 56 Message: 56

My vision is back after only less than 2 weeks. I am so thankful.
Could have been a lot worse I guess.

Was happy to go back to my first training and ARES meeting today in a
long time. Great to see so many friends.....

57. Re: Trademark Mixup?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-13 00:14:22 UTC
From: kb4hb
Topic: 51 Message: 57

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, N6MD Kurt Barnhart <N6MD@...> wrote:
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> Folks,
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> Look here -->> http://www.sdgares.net/
>
> Is RECOM confused? Doesn't the ARRL own the trademark "ARES" ?
>
> What is your opinion on this? Should the outgoing SEC hand over this
> domain name to the ARRL?

The ARRL owns the ARES trademark (registration number 2555797)
But I do not find any owner for trademark of "SDGARES"

Note: even if you have a trademark, you must defend it to keep it.
Defending can get very expensive.
-- richard

59. Re: Trademark Mixup?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-14 04:03:33 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 51 Message: 59

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--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, "wa6mhz_1" <wa6mhz@...> wrote:
> San Diego REMCOM has abandoned this sdgares.net website and it is up
> to the new administration to do what it feels with it.

Thanks... Nice work, Pat.

-- Kurt, N6MD
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62. No Trademark Mixup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-14 04:18:35 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 51 Message: 62

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, Mark Williams <mwilli5542@...> wrote:
>http://www.sd-remcom.org/ is the site with no ARRL in it
>looks same as old SD Ares site - but who cares

Thanks, Mark. I agree -- no big deal. It appears that nothing sinister has happened. Someone made a mistake an pointed the SDGARES domain name at the wrong server for a few hours. No big deal. Pat Bunsold or someone else apparently notified the people concerned and they did the right thing by disconnecting the SDGARES.net domain from the REMCOM content.

No harm done. Now it's up to everyone to work together harmoniously.

Thanks,

-- Kurt, N6MD

63. Re: [SDGARES-2008] Re: Trademark Mixup?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-14 04:12:45 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NZ6T
Topic: 51 Message: 63

The web site was changed either yesterday or today, as earlier yesterday it did not say what it says today. I do hope everything was passed on to the new administration, passwords etc. Not only this, but to the sdgares e-mail reflector as well. Looks as if ownership should be transfered.... wa6mhz_1 wrote: > > San Diego REMCOM has abandoned this sdgares.net website and it is up > to the new administration to do what it feels with it. There is no > tradmark mixup, as REMCOM has nothing to do with this site anymore, > it is all ARES, NOT REMCOM! No trademark violations whatsoever! > The new San Diego Remcom site is > http://www.sd-remcom.org/ > and is not associated or affiliated with ARES or ARRL in any way. > > --- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com > , N6MD Kurt Barnhart > wrote: > > > > Folks, > > > > Look here -->> http://www.sdgares.net/ > > > > Is RECOM confused? Doesn't the ARRL own the trademark "ARES" ? > > > > What is your opinion on this? Should the outgoing SEC hand over > this > > domain name to the ARRL? > > > > -- Kurt, N6MD > > > > > > Emacs! > > > > Emacs! > > > > > ---------- > > No virus found in this incoming message. > Checked by AVG. > Version: 7.5.519 / Virus Database: 269.22.13/1375 - Release Date: 4/12/2008 11:32 AM > -- ********** Tuck Miller NZ6T Past ARRL Southwestern Division Vice Director Ham Radio, not just a hobby, but a SERVICE!! Read Tuck's Official Ham Blog (changes often): http://journals.aol.com/mrtuckmiller/tucks-thoughts/ (http://www.TickerFactory.com/)

64. Re: [SDGARES-2008] No Trademark Mixup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-14 04:26:10 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NZ6T
Topic: 51 Message: 64

Kurt, you are correct. We have a new administration and we all, and I do mean all, need to work together. It is a new beginning. Kurt Barnhart wrote: > > --- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com > , Mark Williams > wrote: > >http://www.sd-remcom.org/ is the site > with no ARRL in it > >looks same as old SD Ares site - but who cares > > Thanks, Mark. I agree -- no big deal. It appears that nothing > sinister has happened. Someone made a mistake an pointed the SDGARES > domain name at the wrong server for a few hours. No big deal. Pat > Bunsold or someone else apparently notified the people concerned and > they did the right thing by disconnecting the SDGARES.net domain from > the REMCOM content. > > No harm done. Now it's up to everyone to work together harmoniously. > > Thanks, > > -- Kurt, N6MD > > > ---------- > > No virus found in this incoming message. > Checked by AVG. > Version: 7.5.519 / Virus Database: 269.22.13/1375 - Release Date: 4/12/2008 11:32 AM > -- ********** Tuck Miller NZ6T Past ARRL Southwestern Division Vice Director Ham Radio, not just a hobby, but a SERVICE!! Read Tuck's Official Ham Blog (changes often): http://journals.aol.com/mrtuckmiller/tucks-thoughts/ (http://www.TickerFactory.com/)

65. Re: [SDGARES-2008] No Trademark Mixup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-14 04:23:49 UTC
From: Mark Williams
Topic: 51 Message: 65

I wonder where / when the olive branch will come from?

May need to plant a few trees around some antenna farms :-)

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Thanks,

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66. Status of SDGARES and Section records, web domain, yahoo groups, etc.

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-14 16:28:20 UTC
From: ad6vi
Topic: 66 Message: 66

To all,
For those of you that missed it, SDGARES hosted Cal Fire's Wild Land For Safety Training, with 152 persons in attendance.

Additional Wild-Land Fire Safety Training will be hosted by Valley Center CERT on June 4th. Keep an eye open for details.

SkyWarn trainin is on deck for next month.

On the matter of recent postings:
It has been suggested that all SDGARES Records and electronic access (Yahoo groups, web domains, etc.) have been turned over and are under the control of the current SDGARES Board of Directors.

To my knowledge, this has not yet happened, which has made it difficult to send uncensored information to the SDGARES membership through prescribed channels.

The few records I have seen are dated financial records directly turned over by the outgoing Treasurer. The Treasurer advised me that these are inclomplete as the previous Board had not provided complete data, nor paperwork, such as check books, to the Treasurer.

A quick review of the SDGARES Yahoo group will show that the former SEC is still the sole owner, but that one board member has bee added as a moderator. It would have been just as easy to grant the board member ownership, and thus the means to complete the transfer.

I would suggest that a look at other SDGARES Assets would show a similar condition.

On April 12th, at the SDGARES Business meeting, this same board member reported he had the memebrship records, that he had been in contact with the former SEC, and that physical and electronic transfer of records is in process and should be complete this week.

We also discussed setting up a new SDGARES website.
Once the Domain name is transfered or replaced (actual ownership is not yet clear), it may take some time to get the website back up to speed, with the same or similar features it had.

In the meantime, please refer to
http://www.arrl.org/sections/SDG.html for the lastest official Section and ARES information.
This site, and the ARRL San Diego Section e-mailer will be used to post official information.
When the San Diego ARES website is on-line, this site will list it.

Sincerely,
Steve Early
AD6VI,
San Diego Section Manager

67. Status of SDGARES and Section records, web domain, yahoo groups, etc.

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-14 17:08:50 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 66 Message: 67

Congratulations on the record breaking turn out.

I own the original www.sdgares.org and www.sdgarrl.org web URL's which had been used as the section web sites until 10/18/07 as well as all the original web site code.

I would be happy to donate them to the section.

I also have copies of membership and financial records (QuickBooks) to approximately that date.

Again I would be happy to provide copies of anything if it will assist you in reconciling the missing records and assets.

69. Re: [SDGARES-2008] Vision back

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-14 17:01:41 UTC
From: Fred Curtis
Topic: 56 Message: 69

Tuck,

Glad you are back! I checked in on the net last night (new check-in) and heard you as NC.

73!

Fred Curtis
KI6GRO

----- Original Message ----
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To: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, April 12, 2008 7:50:31 PM
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72. Re: Status of SDGARES and Section records, web domain, yahoo groups, etc.

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-18 20:17:38 UTC
From: Dean Jacobsen
Topic: 66 Message: 72

All,

I have heard that arrangements to transfer the SDGARES corporate records, corporate books, accounts, etc are in progress and that discussios to start the process moving were had earlier this week.

This is excellent news and a demonstration that Mr. Cammarano is working in good faith to move the transfer of leadership along.

I am also a member of the SDGARES Yahoo Group and I see that Mr. Cammarano is listed as the "owner" of the group. To the extent that the group belongs to SDGARES and is not the personal property of Mr. Cammarano, I think that it would be an excellent additional sign of good faith on his part if the group were transferred over to either of the two other moderators, or Steve Early, today.

One of the moderators is Harry Hodges, the other is William Fullbright. I believe that both are presently directors of SDGARES.

If the list is not his personal property, I don't see any legitimate reason why Mr. Cammarano needs to be the owner of the SDGARES Yahoo group.

Its a simple process that can be completed in one or two minutes and would go a long way toward helping Steve Early effectively run SDGARES.

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73. Re: Status of SDGARES and Section records, web domain, yahoo groups, etc.

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-19 03:41:26 UTC
From: Dean Jacobsen
Topic: 66 Message: 73

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74. Re: Status of SDGARES and Section records, web domain, yahoo groups, etc.

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-19 13:25:37 UTC
From: wa6mhz_1
Topic: 66 Message: 74

Actually, the group owner has been transferred for SEC to SEC, which is why Jim is the current owner. It was transferred to him from the previous SEC. Since Steve doesn't seem to be able to find anyone willing to be SEC, that is the hangup for it to be transferred. Jim is most willing to pass over the group to whoever wants it ASAP, if someone would just come forward, and be responsible for it and accept it.

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75. Re: Status of SDGARES and Section records, web domain, yahoo groups, etc.

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-19 14:52:32 UTC
From: Dean Jacobsen
Topic: 66 Message: 75

Hi Pat, thanks for the information. A bit of additional information was posted over on the SDGARES list by Tuck Miller:

"Here is the real scoop.

I started the reflector many years ago as Section Manager. When Mitch was the SEC, I made him an asst. Moderator. When I was 1st retired from ARES I transfered complete ownership over to Mitch. I am not sure when Mitch actually gave it to Jim, could have been when he took over as SEC or maybe when Mitch resigned as SM. In any case, it is very simple to resolve. Both Len Fulbright and Harry Hodges are moderators, one of them can very easily be made the owner.

It really does not make a difference if the owner is the SEC, could be any responsible person. Should be some one who is active in ARES, and can do the job."

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76. Re: Status of SDGARES and Section records, web domain, yahoo groups, etc.

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-19 19:13:55 UTC
From: wa6mhz_1
Topic: 66 Message: 76

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77. Re: Status of SDGARES and Section records, web domain, yahoo groups, etc.

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-19 23:45:56 UTC
From: wa6mhz_1
Topic: 66 Message: 77

I am working at getting this mess all resolved to the satisfaction of all interested parties. It should be a simple solution if we can get everyone to cooperate and act civily. The process is underway now, and hopefully everything will be fixed shortly. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

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96. Background checks

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-26 12:56:02 UTC
From: Joe Acevedo
Topic: 88 Message: 96

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99. Re: Background checks

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-26 23:49:01 UTC
From: Patrick Mullen
Topic: 88 Message: 99

Hi Joe! Long time no hear. Hello Pat! Well, I guess the background check issue is settled. I can understand why some folks don't want their personal information put in yet another data base. Who needs more grief? Maybe there is a method of providing a minimum amount of information that won't lose the farm if there is a compromise. I dunno.... --- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, "Joe Acevedo" wrote: > > Hi Patrick, > > The need for a background check is determined by the served agency, > not the ARRL or ARES. The guidelines for those background checks vary > from agency to agency. > > It is doubtful that an agency will alter its background check > requirement to satisfy the needs of the ARRL or ARES (your example of > the Red Cross illustrates that). > > For some, the issue of a background check is a very sensitive one, and > may deter a few operators from volunteering. In some cases, that is > exactly what it was implemented for. It is when there are a group of > operators who have clean background data that also shy away from this > requirement that ultimately winds up hurting the requiring agency. > > It is a tough issue because it comes down to the individual. Some > have a problem with it, some do not. > > - Joe, N6SIX > > --- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, "Patrick Mullen" > wrote: > > > > Thank you for your input Tuck. > > > > The name here is Pat. > > > > As far as I have been able to determine, ARRL does not endorse the > > use of credit reports when conducting a background check, which is > > the way the Red Cross does it. > > > > So what is the issue? Just eliminate the requirement of conducting a > > credit report when doing a background check for ARES members who are > > assigned to work with emergency communications services. If the Red > > Cross only wants to use operators with credit checks, that is an > > internal issue for the Red Cross to resolve. > > > > I thought the purpose of a background check was to to determine if a > > criminal history existed, not if an operator is eligible for a bank > > loan. > > > > The only exception to this I can visualize is if ARES needed > > individuals to be responsible for funds, such as the purchase of > > equipment for ARES use, the purchase of food/water for ARES > > personnel, hotel lodging, travel expenses, medical care, etc. > > > > If this was required, SDARES could create an account and create a > > framework to accomplish this, which probably would require > > designated individuals to have a credit check. However, is there a > > need for every ARES operator to submit to this? It would open a > > bigger can of worms than the one which already exists. > > > > --- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, Tuck Miller NZ6T > > wrote: > > > > > > Jim, I can answer your last question....ARES is a subsidiary of the > > > ARRL...it is a field service program under the ARRL. > > > > > > Patrick Mullen wrote: > > > > > > > > I hope so too! > > > > > > > > If San Diego ARES wants create an example of to what extent an > > > > organization can be mismanaged, then it should continue this > > > > dithering. Someone needs to exert a bona fide leadership influence > > > > with ARES that will complement the Emergency Communications system > > > > that exists in San Diego. > > > > > > > > I have a couple of questions and comments: > > > > > > > > 1. Who is in charge if San Diego ARES? I am sorry if that sounds > > like > > > > a stupid question, but it has been many years since I was active > > in > > > > SDARES. I no longer live in San Diego county and am somewhat out > > of > > > > touch with everything that goes on there. > > > > > > > > 2. Why haven't the issues that have been discussed here been > > settled? > > > > Time is a resource, ARES leadership needs to resolve these > > matters in > > > > a timely fashion. If the present leadership is unable to > > accomplish > > > > this, then get a new leader/s. In addition, if certain individuals > > > > are unable to cooperate with ARES

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100. * "Sed fugit interea fugit irreparabile tempus," Virgil

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-27 09:48:44 UTC
From: Patrick Mullen
Topic: 100 Message: 100

Dante may have made Virgil his guide to Hell and the greater part of Purgatory in The Divine Comedy, but this isn't funny. ARES needs to get up to speed as of yesterday:

"SIERRA MADRE, Calif. - Authorities were evacuating 100 homes as a 100-acre wildfire crept closer to neighborhoods near Pasadena on a hot, dry Saturday in Southern California, authorities said.

The fire about broke out Saturday afternoon (Saturday, April 27) and earlier forced the
evacuation of a scout camp and left hikers temporarily stranded, said Elisa Weaver of the Arcadia Fire Department.

Firefighters had hoped to have the blaze contained Sunday, Weaver said, but it was still burning out of control late Saturday night.

Fire crews were aided by a dozen engines, three water tankers and three helicopters as they take on the blaze, Weaver said.

Two shelters have been set up in the area for evacuees.

The blaze was reported just after 1:40 p.m. in a wooded area off Santa Anita Canyon Road about 10 miles northeast of Pasadena, Weaver said.

The flames brought the evacuation of the Trask Boy Scout camp and left about 100 hikers stranded in a parking lot near Chantry Flats, Weaver said.

Most of the Boy Scouts had already left the camp by the time the evacuation was ordered, Weaver said.

The hikers were escorted out of the forest by sheriff's deputies, she said. No injuries were reported.

The fire was moving mostly northward, away from homes, but had crept far enough to the south to prompt the mandatory home evacuations.

Flames outlined steep ridges about a mile above Sierra Madre, a San Gabriel Mountains foothill community of about 11,000 popular with artists."

* "But it flees in the meantime: irretrievable time flees."

105. It's FIRE SEASON ALREADY!!!

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-28 14:37:23 UTC
From: wa6mhz_1
Topic: 105 Message: 105

Yesterday there was a major fire in Penasquitos Canyon, which caused the evacuation of 250 homes as record heat hit the county. Helicopters were busy as over 100 acres burned. Another fire popped up in Campo, started by transient's campire. 2 more fires were started but quickly put out in Ramona! So thats FOUR fires in just one day!!! Meanwhile, a really nasty fire is burning in the Sierra Madre mountains near LA. Unknown if houses are threatened or already burnt. And it is only APRIL!! Due to budget cuts, the County was ready to close several fire stations, including the one in Crest, about 100 ft from my house, but the residents got a measure on the ballot to increase property taxes dramatically to insure the stations would stay and it passed. Had it not, Crest would have been left completely defenseless.
So it is time to put the squabbling on hold and Ramp up our readiness, as Firestorm 2008 could happen TODAY or Tommorrow! The wet winter has caused incredible growth of field grasses, and the hot weather has dried them to the perfect point of flamability. And the danger can only get worse as each hot day comes along.
Another Yahoo group, SDFIRENet, is dedicated to uptodate info on where all the fires are and the progress of stamping them out.
Joining is highly reccommended!
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDFIRENet/?yguid=11033271

106. WOW

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-27 22:27:04 UTC
From: teddy_moose
Topic: 106 Message: 106

With all that is going on with the "Regime change" I am afraid that some of us are starting to lose sight of the reason why we are here. I find it to be very unfortunate that this is going on and I feel that if this continues, we are going to start losing members. Why are we not acting above the negativity so we can start working together? With the current heat wave, and the few that we have had in the past few weeks, I have seen only one post (made today I might add) concerning anything related. Why aren't we discussing on this reflector what we will do in case we are needed. Now that the leadership has changed, do we have the plans in place to activate if needed? I am sure that we do. Can we please discuss this? We should know or at least have an idea of what to do whether we have a leader or not. I feel that we should have a plan in case leadership is not available. Now this might already be the case since I have not been able to attend many meetings but from what I have seen this past month this group is not looking very organized. Working in management in the past I always made sure that my employees knew what to do if there were no managers around. They knew how to take care of the customers. Can we say that? Can we say that we know what to do when management is not around? Please stop all of this and start worrying about what we need to train to do and not the "books" or "accounts" that will all fall into place in due time. Thanks for letting me have my two minutes and I now step off of the soapbox.

Nan Barker KD5OAN

107. Re: It's FIRE SEASON ALREADY!!!

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-29 00:10:48 UTC
From: N6MD, Julian, CA
Topic: 105 Message: 107

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Thanks, Pat, for complimenting one of the other Yahoo groups that I
started a couple of years ago. Everyone is invited to join the SDFIREnet group and read the
messages posted frequently by Jim Whitten in Ranchita, and others all over San Diego
County.

I'm in Julian today and I have been here for five days. Right now
it's calm, but there were several windy episodes over the weekend. I
won't go into details here, but it won't take much for a devastating
fire to strike San Diego County at any time. This already has the
makings of a potentially dangerous year. Humidity today is under 20%.

I hope that everyone starts getting prepared FAST. We need more CERT
members, we need more Red Flag patrols, we need more volunteers
helping our fire departments to get prepared. Some departments
managed mostly by professional fire fighters are now accepting
applications from unpaid volunteer fire fighters.

There is a budget crises in California and San Diego and government
revenues are down. More firefighters are needed but the funding is not
available and they are not being hired.

Get the word out. In a budget crises like this, we need as many
volunteers as we can get. Not just radio operators, but volunteers of
all kinds.

More later...

-- Kurt, N6MD from Julian, CA

108. Re: [SDGARES-2008] WOW

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-29 02:10:21 UTC
From: Steve Early
Topic: 106 Message: 108

To all,
Personally, I am trying to avoid providing political fodder, while arranging venues, etc.

Last month we had 152 people present for Wild Land Fire Safety Training in La Mesa.

For the May 10th Skywarn Training, I am behind because I am trying to get a venue close to the National Weather Service Office in Rancho Bernardo, rather than La Mesa (I have the La Mesa venue as a back-up).
The SD City Library in RB wants $100 an hour.
The County Library in 4-S Ranch is free, but has a one hour time limit for non-library related programs.

I have someone checking one more source tomorrow.
Regardless of location, the venue will be announced tomorrow (Tuesday) night, and posted on the arrl.org / San Diego Section page in a day or two.

I also, over the next several days/weeks, a few of us will be calling everyone on the current ARES roster to verify participation.
While we have been told there are over 300 members, the record provided show only about 130 have attended a meeting/training in the last year.

SDGARES EMS Coordinator has been identified and will be announced once ARRL membership is updated, etc.

Still looking for an SEC. Hope to have at least an interim SEC announced soon.

Steve Early
AD6VI

---- teddy_moose <teddy_moose@...> wrote:

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113. Working TOGETHER

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-29 23:16:33 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 106 Message: 113

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, Nan Barker KD5OAN wrote:
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Nan,

Please allow me to post for the record that the great MAJORITY of the Amateur Radio Operators in the SDG section agree with you. We need to allow the past to fade into history and move forward in a positive and progressive way.

I am currently doing a transfer of old messages from this group that do not comply with the groups's core purpose of building a positive future for emergency communications and I am moving them to a different group where people will be able to discuss past history if they so wish without any charges of censorship against anyone.

That way, there can be one group for those who want to discuss the past and another group for those who don't.

Freedom of speech for all.

Nan, please continue to demonstrate your leadership by posting positive and progressive messages in THIS group for people who want to build a positive future together.

73,

-- Kurt Barnhart, N6MD

114. Communicators Needed Saturday May 3

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-29 23:30:20 UTC
From: KB4HB
Topic: 114 Message: 114

Communicators are needed for the Ramona MusicFest & BBQ this
Saturday, May 3, 2008

What: Ramona MusicFest & BBQ
http://www.ramonamusicfest.org
Where: Dos Picos County Park, Ramona, CA
When: meet at 2:30 PM, event begins at 3:00 PM
there is a hard close at 7:00 PM
Why: a joint fundraiser for Ramona Rotary and Kiwanis clubs

Ramona ROARS will assist the event operators and security by providing
communications and being eye-and-ears during the event.

We have a few people on the volunteer list, but could really use
about 5-6 more communicators. To volunteer, please reply to this
list or contact Michael Bonner, KF6AUJ, at BonnEnter7637@...
or myself.

-- Richard Elling, KB4HB

115. Historical Messages Transferred

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-29 22:24:54 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 115 Message: 115

Folks,

Full disclosure: I assumed the role of temporary independent moderator of this discussion group today and transferred a number of messages, which discuss mostly historical information, into a different Yahoo group.

If you wish to read those historical commentaries, please look here-->> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDGARES-HISTORY/messages

If you'd rather not, then don't.

In the future, please post all historical discussions and criticisms of past events in THAT group.

The group you are viewing (SDGARES-2008) is dedicated to a discussion of the FUTURE success of Emergency Communications in the San Diego Section. Please make sure that all PUBLIC messages are positive, polite, professional and progressive.

Respectfully,

-- Kurt Barnhart, N6MD
Independent Freelance Writer
San Diego County Resident

116. PLANNING for FIRE SEASON...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-29 00:35:33 UTC
From: N6MD, Julian, CA
Topic: 105 Message: 116

Folks,

I just spent five days in Julian and let me tell you that it is a little scary up there. We had strong Santa Ana winds over the weekend and humidities under 20%. The hills that were bright green a few weeks ago are rapidly turning brown. I am guessing that the same is true in much of the back country.

We heard about a number of small brush fires in various locations around San Diego and Southern California and we're wondering what is being done to prepare for fire season?

May I politely suggest that the Amateur Radio clubs in Fallbrook, Ramona, Escondido, Carlsbad, El Cajon, Santee, Coronado, South Bay and elsewhere hold a joint meeting with ARES and RACES leaders and also some CERT team leaders in the near future to draft a plan for a coordinated emergency communications response team for the San Diego back country?

The back country includes open areas and rural communities in San Diego County east of Fallbrook, Valley Center, Ramona, Santee, El Cajon and Jamul.

This is not meant to exclude anyone, and other clubs and groups would certainly be welcome, but this is the area of highest wild fire risk and the clubs mentioned have a large number of members located closest to the area described above.

Does anyone want to volunteer to take the lead on this idea or something similar?

Please make suggestions and changes to the ideas presented above.

Please post NEW ideas and new, actionable suggestions that have a high probability of resulting in positive and progressive action.

Respectfully,

Kurt, N6MD
Julian and Lake Hodges

117. SkyWarn Net for April 30, 2008

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-30 02:17:34 UTC
From: SW_SKYWARN@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 117 Message: 117

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Date: Wednesday April 30, 2008
Time: 7:00 pm - 7:45 pm
Repeats: This event repeats every week.
Location: Keller Peak 2meter Repeater 146.385 PL 146.2
Notes: All licensed amateur radio Skywarn members and visitors are
invited to check in. You may also listen to the net on your scanner
at 146.385Mhz.
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118. Wednesday Night SANDRA Net, 4/30/2008, 7:30 pm

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-04-30 16:55:26 UTC
From: WB6WLV@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 118 Message: 118

What: Wednesday Night SANDRA Net
Date: Wednesday April 30, 2008
Time: 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Repeats: This event repeats every week until Wednesday December 31, 2008.
Location: 147.150 Mt. Laguna Repeater
Notes: Check in and say hello, share your for sale and wanted
items. Drop by and join us!

119. SoCal Fire and EQ Status...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-01 05:22:23 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 119 Message: 119

Two active fires in SoCal tonite, NONE in San Diego County.

http://cdfdata.fire.ca.gov/incidents/incidents_current

Mag 4.2 Earthquake NNW of Borrego felt in Escondido at 8:55pm.

http://quake.wr.usgs.gov/recenteqs/Quakes/ci10321561.htm

-- N6MD

120. How to Make Ham FIRENETS More Effective?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-01 02:57:02 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 120 Message: 120

In my 50+ years as a ham, I have had the opportunity to assist with over 20 major disasters either as a direct responder or as Net Control so I have a first hand perspective of what worked and what did not work.

I intend to present ideas and questions for discussion on how we might be able to do things better.

What Worked:

Hams are by their very fact of their physical decentralized locations and lack of centralized command structures seem to be able to survive and continue to communicate "When All Else Fails". We tend to be very good at being the "Eyes and Ears" all over the place, both inside the disaster areas and outside where rescue efforts are being staged. We self activate by getting on the air without much centralized activation. We tend to operate under disciplined net control structures. We have the capability to pass traffic and to organize information flows. Digital works sometimes for complex traffic but most communications is via voice. Our Ad Hoc Information nets have been extremely successful in providing vital information during virtually every major disaster that I have participated in.

What Did Not Work:

Served Agencies.. For the most part, in spite of a lot of wishful thinking on our part, our interface with Served Agencies has not been that effective. In spite of public pronouncements, the Served Agencies act like they really do not want our participation and were even rather embarrassed if they needed to have to use us. Served Agencies tie up resources (people and repeaters) but then hardly use us except in the direst of circumstances and only then mostly as very menial resources. More seriously, Served Agencies operate under a Centralized Command Structure and Centralized locations. Centralized activation often fails because the activator is unavailable or too tied up in bureaucratic red tape. Served Agencies demand that Hams fit into their Centralized mould with a fixed command structure, onerous credentialing and sometime irrelevant bureaucratic training .... BUT When all else fails... i.e. the Centralized Communications Infrastructure... if we are co-located with them or operate with their Centralized Command structure... then we tend to fail with them as well... Yes.. in some cases, when they totally run out of resources, they will call on us... but these are the exceptions rather than the rule.

A Better Idea?

Perhaps the most effective example of local Ham EMCOMM that worked was during the recent fires (also in 2003) with the FIRENETS on the Palomar,

Ramona and Fallbrook Repeaters. For the most part these were Ad Hoc nets started by individual hams, operated as controlled nets, but net control remained, by necessity, decentralized because different Net Controls were forced to evacuate themselves as the Fires approached Yet in spite of the continual changes of command, the FIRENETs provided a constant stream of vital information by acting as the eyes and ears on the ground.

The biggest problem I saw as a Net Control of the 2007 PARC FIRENET was that I just had far too much information to deal with. It was tough enough controlling the almost 500 hams who participated over the 3 days. Keeping all the information straight and more important verifying its validity was just too much for any single operator. Looking back on it, what I could have really used would have been a team of SCRIBES - better know in Ham Terms as Loggers to keep track of the information as we received it and to verify the validity of that information from second sources.

It would have been ideal for me, if 3 or 4 people had come over to my house (an ARRL Official Emergency Station where I have the space, multiple computers and multiple radios in my shack) to work with me so that we could have had an organized information clearing center. Unfortunately we were not organized beforehand to do this and with the fires raging it was just too difficult to organize. Of course, the next fires might be in my neighborhood, so I might be the one needing to evacuate which would prevent using my ARRL OES as one of the Net Control Points.

More coming...

121. How to Make Ham FIRENETS More Effective?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-02 02:05:42 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 120 Message: 121

Questions to the Group:

1. How can we better organize the Ad Hoc FIRENET's so that they better serve our communities during the next fires?
2. How can we ensure that they remain decentralized enough to survive localized disasters?
3. How can we structure them so that the Net Controls have sufficient Scribes available to keep the information straight and verify its validity?
4. How do we train people to be Net Controls and to be effective Scribes?
5. Should we identify ARRL Official Emergency Stations that can act as Net Control Points?
6. Where else should be place Net Control Points?
7. What should be the criteria for verification of information validity?
8. What other questions should be asked and answered here?

122. Re: How to Make Ham FIRENETS More Effective?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-02 05:09:02 UTC
From: Patrick Mullen
Topic: 120 Message: 122

Net control stations can be established throughout San Diego and Imperial counties. Each net control station would have a set of scribes assigned to it. If a net control station is burned out or somehow put out of service, a back-up station could be pre-designated to take control of the net.

Perhaps effectiveness is an attitude. When I visited Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, a few years ago, the Halifax
Radio Club invited me to participate in Field Day (I had a night shift at the provincial Emergency Operations Center - 40 meter CW - Wheeee! Of course, I was closely supervised so I could not screw anything up).

I later was briefed on how a search and rescue operation was accomplished while I was staying there. The Canadians make it look easy; I suspect it is in their genes. They quickly interface with everyone, even Americans. There is no quibbling about who does what. When they are told to go to the City or Provincial Emergency Operations Center, they go and do what the Mounties or Police tell them what needs to be done. It seems the left hand usually knows what the right hand
is doing.

They are (almost) always polite and helpful with each other, and assignments are accomplished in a timely fashion. They work their butts off. The Hams in the Province organized a fund to buy and configure a huge communications van for the Provincial EOC. It is assigned to, maintained and manned by police officials who work side-by-side with HAM volunteers. It took them forever to scrape the money together (about $250,000 Canadian from the factory).

Just after sunset, they found the kid who got lost in all those maple trees on the outskirts of Dartmouth and took him home. It gets cold at night in Nova Scotia. The weather can turn really nasty before you realize what is happening. They got to the little fella before he started turning blue.

For them, it's a piece of Canadian cake (with a little Tim Horton's to wash it down).

Here is Mexico it's a different story. But the individual HAMs are just as dedicated as the Americans and Canadians. However, the government here hasn't quite gotten the hang of the purpose of an Amateur radio service, and handles things in a totally unique way.

Oh well, it's not a completely perfect world.

Pat,

in Tijuana

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123. Re: How to Make Ham FIRENETS More Effective?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-02 05:23:50 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 120 Message: 123

While I agree that decentralization has its advantages, local government officials are happier when they feel that they have some influence and control over the risks of people working in ad-hoc teams.

This might not be perfect, but one way to achieve this is to join a CERT team and get a disaster workers ID card. There are other ways to get those cards, but CERT might be the easiest and most expedient.

You'll also be expected to take CERT basic training and regular recurring training, and they'll want you to respond to incidents in your local area as a CERT member, but there's nothing bad about that.

It would be nice if there were a number of licensed Hams on every CERT team. Vista, Valley Center, Ramona and Mountain Empire all have a number of Hams on their CERT teams. Being part of a CERT team also connects you to fire and law enforcement agencies in your local area.

124. RE: [SDGARES-2008] New Yahoo Reflector

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-03 00:32:43 UTC
From: Earl Towson
Topic: 124 Message: 124

Just got back in town from Arizona - thanks for your efforts - it hurts to see the Ham community tearing itself apart...

Earl R. Towson, N1QI
<mailto:etowson@...> etowson@...
Phone: 619-670-7622

-----Original Message-----
From: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com [mailto:SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Tuck Miller NZ6T
Sent: Saturday, April 26, 2008 7:01 AM
To: undisclosed-recipients:
Subject: [SDGARES-2008] New Yahoo Reflector

In order to try and get things back on track, and to end all of this crazy bickering, I have taken the liberty of re-starting the sdgarrl yahoo group. This will be a place to discuss not only ARES, but the section as a whole. When I see that Steve AD6VI has joined, I will make him an owner.

However, let's make one thing very clear, no personal attacks will be allowed. If done, the person making them will be put on immediate moderation.

To join this group, send an e-mail to: sdgarrl-subscribe@
<mailto:sdgarrl-subscribe@yahoogroups.com> yahoogroups.com

It's that simple. See ya there.
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Tuck Miller NZ6T
Past ARRL Southwestern Division Vice Director
Ham Radio, not just a hobby, but a SERVICE!!
Read Tuck's Official Ham Blog (changes often):
http://journals. <http://journals.aol.com/mrtuckmiller/tucks-thoughts/>
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125. KY6LA-10 RMS Winlink Packet Server Upgrade

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-04 04:55:34 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 125 Message: 125

KY6LA-10 Winlink Telpac Node on 145.050 - 1200 Baud Packet has been upgraded to the new

Winlink RMS (Remote Mail Server) Packet Server.

The benefit is a much faster and a much more reliable and robust Winlink Email experience.

KY6LA-10 operates 24/7 and is located DM12it at 6885 Paseo Laredo, La Jolla, CA 92037

It has a dedicated 50W 2M Transceiver, a 6 db Omni Vertical Antenna at about 525' ASL favoring North, West and South but shadowed to the North East and East by Mt. Soledad and a dedicated server on a shared 6 Mb/s data line.

While primarily dedicated to EMCOMM, everyone is welcome to use the Server to send and receive email via Winlink.

For more information on Winlink, please go to www.winlink.org <http://www.winlink.org/>

You can also see the locations of the stations at:
http://www.findu.com/cgi-bin/near.cgi?call=KY6LA-10

(albeit that one of them thinks it is in the ocean)

Or if you need assistance setting up a Winlink Station, please reply directly to:

Ky6la@... and I will be happy to help you set up your station.

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126. FWD: Ham radio assistance during Burma disaster...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-08 06:16:12 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart, N6MD@arrl.net
Topic: 126 Message: 126

FWD: From Steve Venner, Escondido

This evening, I was contacted by Greg Todd (a reporter with Fox 6 news) asking if any of our club members are actively participating in any emergency communication activities w.r.t the cyclone disaster in Burma.

Fox 6 news are interested in running a short article on how amateur radio operators are helping with relief efforts - especially as there is a small community of Burmese living in the San Diego area.

If anyone can help Greg (and doesn't mind 5 minutes of TV fame), please contact him on:

(858) 650 5402

Alternatively... if anyone knows of any other hams in the San Diego area who are helping, could they also pass along this request for information.

Cheers,
Steve Venner (EARS)

127. May 10 ARES Meeting Reminder

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-09 17:01:23 UTC
From: Dean Jacobsen
Topic: 127 Message: 127

FYI re tomorrow's meeting.

A San Diego ARES General Membership Meeting has been called for the 2nd Saturday of May. The previously announced Skywarn Training has been postponed to support this event.

The purpose of this meeting is to present the SDGARES go-ahead plan for 2008. Topics covered will include, but are not be limited to: Credentialing, Training and Opportunities. There will be an opportunity to discuss opportunities and concerns regarding the support of served agencies, as well as opportunities for members of the San Diego Section.

Again, we are meeting in a temporary location, and need your help in securing a permanent venue (or venues) that is central to most of the Section.

Hope to see you there!

Thanks,

Steve Early, AD6VI
Section Manager, San Diego Section

San Diego ARES (temporary location):
General ARES Membership Meeting,

Location: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints,
Address: 5555 Aztec Dr, La Mesa, CA 91942,
Date: Saturday May 10th, 2008,
Time: 8:00 AM to 11:00 PM,
In accordance with facility policy, please do not bring coffee or tobacco products into the building.

ARRL San Diego Section
Section Manager: Steve M. Early, AD6VI
ad6vi@...
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128. Earthquake near Borrego Springs

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-09 23:01:03 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 128 Message: 128

4.1 earthquake near Borrego Springs at 3:38pm, felt in Escondido.

Second one this week -- there was also one on Sunday morning near Lake Henshaw.

Could these be pre-shocks of a larger event?

-- Kurt, N6MD

129. Re: [SDGARES-2008] Earthquake near Borrego Springs

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-09 23:42:03 UTC
From: Nan Barker
Topic: 128 Message: 129

I hope not!!!

Nan B

(858) 531-1005
Please visit my website@
http://basketsbynan.googlepages.com/home

----- Original Message ----
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart <N6MD@...>
To: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, May 9, 2008 4:01:03 PM
Subject: [SDGARES-2008] Earthquake near Borrego Springs

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http://mobile.yahoo.com/;_ylt=Ahu06i62sR8HDtDypao8Wcj9tAcJ

130. Re: FWD: Ham radio assistance during Burma disaster...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-10 04:36:58 UTC
From: Patrick Mullen
Topic: 126 Message: 130

FWD: from Dennis Vernacchia, N6KI:

Burma and Amateur Radio
From: Dennis Vernacchia <snip>
Sent: Thursday, May 08, 2008 5:42:37 PM
To: Patrick Mullen (xe2kb6oxx@...)

Patricio,

This mail from K6NA, who coincidently, has one of the most powerful amateur radio stations on the west coast (Valley Center with 2 140 ft towers) pretty well sums up why hams will not likely be able to help out.

Glen K6NA wrote:

I believe the Third Party Traffic rules of FCC would preclude US amateurs from handling health-and-welfare information into, or out of, Myanmar on behalf of others.

It is doubtful that any special arrangements to allow it have ever been made in anticipation of disasters there. Correct me if I'm wrong.

Second, as far as is known in active DXer circles, there are NO active, licensed citizens of Myanmar at this time.

The country's repressive government has allowed a small number of foreign DXpeditioners into the country to operate over the past ten years, but significantly no citizens were involved.

Beyond the legalities, there is the propagation issue. Conditions are very, very difficult to that part of the world from southern California, even using a substantial station with big antennas. Openings, if any occur, would be on the order of minutes per day.

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131. RE: [SDGARES-2008] Re: FWD: Ham radio assistance during Burma disaster...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-10 06:41:37 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 126 Message: 131

Glem K6NA is NOT correct about the FCC rules preventing 3rd party traffice.....

§97.403 Safety of life and protection of property

- No provision of these rules prevents the use by an amateur station of any means of radio

communication at its disposal to provide essential communication needs in connection

with the immediate safety of human life and immediate protection of property when normal

communication systems are not available.

In other words it is OK under FCC rules to communicate 3rd party traffic for humanitarian reasons (saving life or property) to Burma.

On the other hand, if Burma does not allow their people to use the radios...

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To: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com
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Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-11 00:20:12 UTC
From: Patrick Mullen
Topic: 126 Message: 132

Subject: Re: Burma and Amateur Radio

This from Howard KY6LA

Howard wrote:

"You are wrong. (FCC) Part 97.403. Nothing in these rules shall preclude the saving of life or property."

Howard is on the money with this comment.

Apparently rules enforced by the Burmese government are in direct opposition to the intent of Part 97.403.

Since any notion of governmental rationality does not exist for the Burmese people at this point in time, it may be a while before anyone can further test Glen's evaluation of propagation conditions between Southern California and Burma.

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133. Above Normal Fire Risks in SD County

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-12 14:21:08 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart, N6MD
Topic: 133 Message: 133

Report -->>
http://gacc.nifc.gov/oscc/predictive/outlooks/myfiles/psamonth.pdf

Map -->>
http://gacc.nifc.gov/oscc/predictive/outlooks/myfiles/monthly.jpg

134. Re: [SDGARES-2008] Re: FWD: Ham radio assistance during Burma disaster...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-12 21:30:20 UTC
From: Steve Early
Topic: 126 Message: 134

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135. Re: [SDGARES-2008] Re: FWD: Ham radio assistance during Burma disaster...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-12 16:31:13 UTC
From: David Doan
Topic: 126 Message: 135

The governing rule is 97.115(a)(2), which specifies that
there must be an agreement between the United States and
the government of another country allowing third party
traffic with that country.

For a discussion and a list of such agreements, please
see

http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/io/3rdparty.html

Burma does not appear to be on that list.

Also please note Appendix 1 to Part 97, which lists the
places where the Amateur Service is regulated by the FCC.
Basically, this is the 50 states, the District of Columbia,
Puerto Rico and various Pacific Islands. It does not include
Burma or any other sovereign nation. So there is no reason
to expect 97.403 to apply.

Other nations have other rules, and some are very different.

- David
- kc6yso

On Saturday, May 10, 2008, at 05:20 PM, Patrick Mullen wrote:

> Subject: Re: Burma and Amateur Radio
>
> This from Howard KY6LA
>
> Howard wrote:
>
> "You are wrong. (FCC) Part 97.403. Nothing in these rules shall
> preclude the saving of life or property."
>
> Howard is on the money with this comment.
>
> Apparently rules enforced by the Burmese government are in direct
> opposition to the intent of Part 97.403.
>
> Since any notion of governmental rationality does not exist for the
> Burmese people at this point in time, it may be a while before anyone
> can further test Glen's evaluation of propagation conditions between
> Southern California and Burma.
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> --- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, "Patrick Mullen"
> <patrick_mullen@...> wrote:
>>
>> FWD: from Dennis Vernacchia, N6KI:
>>
>> Burma and Amateur Radio
>> From: Dennis Vernacchia <snip>
>> Sent: Thursday, May 08, 2008 5:42:37 PM
>> To: Patrick Mullen (xe2kb6oxx@...)
>>
>> Patricio,
>>
>> This mail from K6NA, who coincidently, has one of the most powerful
>> amateur radio stations on the west coast (Valley Center with 2 140 ft
>> towers) pretty well sums up why hams will not likely be able to
> help out.
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>>
>> Glen K6NA wrote:
>>
>> I believe the Third Party Traffic rules of FCC would preclude US
>> amateurs from handling health-and-welfare information into, or out of,
>> Myanmar on behalf of others.
>>
>> It is doubtful that any special arrangements to allow it have ever
>> been made in anticipation of disasters there. Correct me if I'm
>> wrong.
>>
>> Second, as far as is known in active DXer circles, there are NO
>> active, licensed citizens of Myanmar at this time.
>>
>> The country's repressive government has allowed a small number of
>> foreign DXpeditioners into the country to operate over the past ten
>> years, but significantly no citizens were involved.
>>
>> Beyond the legalities, there is the propagation issue. Conditions are
>> very, very difficult to that part of the world from southern
>> California, even using a substantial station with big antennas.
>> Openings, if any occur, would be on the order of minutes per day.
>>
>> --Glenn K6NA
>> ---
>>
>>
>> --- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, Kurt Barnhart, N6MD@ wrote:
>>>
>>> FWD: From Steve Venner, Escondido
>>>

>>> This evening, I was contacted by Greg Todd (a reporter with Fox 6
>>> news) asking if any of our club members are actively participating in
>>> any emergency communication activities w.r.t the cyclone disaster in
>>> Burma.
>>>
>>> Fox 6 news are interested in running a short article on how amateur
>>> radio operators are helping with relief efforts - especially as there
>>> is a small community of Burmese living in the San Diego area.
>>>
>>> If anyone can help Greg (and doesn't mind 5 minutes of TV fame),
>>> please contact him on:
>>>
>>> (858) 650 5402
>>>
>>> Alternatively... if anyone knows of any other hams in the San Diego
>>> area who are helping, could they also pass along this request for
>>> information.
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>>> Cheers,
>>> Steve Venner (EARS)
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> Yahoo! Groups Links
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136. RE: [SDGARES-2008] Re: FWD: Ham radio assistance during Burma disaster...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-12 23:21:37 UTC
From: Earl Towson
Topic: 126 Message: 136
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

We need to ask the ARRL to go directly to the FCC and get a clarification rather than assume that we are interpreting the rules correctly. (My guess is that unless there is a clear ruling by the FCC it is like trying to outguess the IRS.)

Earl R. Towson, N1QI
<mailto:etowson@...> etowson@cox.net
Phone: 619-670-7622

-----Original Message-----
From: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com [mailto:SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Steve Early
Sent: Monday, May 12, 2008 2:30 PM
To: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com
Cc: Patrick Mullen
Subject: Re: [SDGARES-2008] Re: FWD: Ham radio assistance during Burma disaster...

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Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-12 22:21:39 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 126 Message: 137

There is no quandary with the interpretation of the regulations...

Steve is incorrect in his example of the use of Public Safety Frequencies.

Part 97.403 ONLY refers to frequencies in use under Part 97

Public Safety Frequencies are NOT governed by Part 97

Therefore Part 97.403 does NOT exempt anyone from illegally using the Public Safety Frequencies.

Further Section 403 clearly supersedes Section 115....

Part 97.403 is indeed very clear ... you can use ham frequencies and send 3rd party traffic to save life or property

However the ham on the Other Side.. Such as in Myanmar is governed by the rules and regulations in his country which may (and in fact currently do) restrict him from sending or receiving 3rd party traffic...

Howard S. White Ph.D. P. Eng., VE3GFW/K6 ex-AE6SM KY6LA
Website: www.ky6la.com <http://www.ky6la.com/>
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138. China Earthquake - Protected Frequencies

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-13 15:33:52 UTC
From: Harry Hodges, W6YOO
Topic: 138 Message: 138

Fowarded by Harry Hodges, W6YOO

-----Original Message-----
From: <mailto:dailydx-bounces%40kkn.net>dailydx-bounces@...
[mailto:dailydx-bounces@...]
On Behalf Of Bernie McClenny, W3UR
Subject: [The Daily DX] Strong earthquake hits China,all ham radio operators
stand by

Strong earthquake hits China, all ham radio operators stand by

PLEASE HELP TO SPREAD THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE

Strong earthquake hits China, all ham radio operators stand by
A Magnitude 7.8 earthquake hits Sichuan, China on Monday, May 12, 2008
at 06:28:04 UTC. Casualties and loss unknown up to now. According to
Chinese Radio Sports Association, 14.270Mhz, 7.050 and 7.060 Mhz are
preserved for amateur radio emergency service in the rescue. Please spread this message as
far as you can and keep the frequencies clean for emergency use. Thank you.

Yesterday, 05:57 PM
BG8AAS from Chengdu, Sichuan reported that local UHF repeater survived
in the disaster. It keeps functioning from the 1st minute and more
than 200 local radio hams are now on that repeater. A group of hams
from Chengdu has headed for Wenchuan, the center of the quake, trying
to setup emergency communication services there.

BA8AB, also from Chengdu, Sichuan, is active on the 40m emergency
frequency. Up to now, no further information available from the center
zone of the quake. There are a few radio amatuers there, but all of
the communications have been cut out, including amatuer radio.

Yesterday, 06:58 PM
Update

According to BG8AAS, local UHF repeater in Chengdu keeps busy running
after the quake. It helps to direct social vehicles to transport the
wounded from Dujiangyan, Beichuan, and other regions. Another UHF
repeater also starts its working in Mianyan, supported by generators.
However, they are going to face a shortage of gas.

Damage in Chengdu remains in the lowest level, but the situation is
very very bad in the counties around. A few towns are said to be
destroyed completely. More than 7000 died in the town of Beichuan.
Casualties in several other towns are still unknown and not counted in
the published numbers.

It is a long and sad day.

Today, 08:31 AM
Your attention please! 14.270Mhz is now reserved for ARES in 5.12 earth quake in Sichuan, China. Please help to keep this frequency clear.

A group of radio amateurs is now transmitting from Wenchuan, the center of quake. Its signal is reported to be very weak. They tried to keep communication with BY8AA in Chengdu, seeking for all resources needed. During a contact finished a few minutes ago, they were asking for raincoats, water, tents, and outdoor living facilities.

PLEASE HELP TO FORWARD THIS MESSAGE TO ALL RELEVANT FORUMS, MAILING LISTS, AND NEWS RESOURCES. MEANWHILE, KEEP THE ABOVE FREQUENCY CLEAN FOR EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION.

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Skype: michael-bd5rv

139. Fire Weather Approaching?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-13 18:35:47 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 139 Message: 139

Wild fires NORTH of San Diego County are not good news. Sometimes, fire conditions move south in our direction after a few days.

The fire on Mt. Baldy in LA County is approaching 100 acres with a small number of evacuations ordered.

There are Red Flag warnings for the desert areas north of Big Bear.

The hillsides east of Escondido and Ramona looked noticably less green and more brown this past weekend.

The Weather in San Diego County will be warmer in the next 5 to 15 days.

According the National Weather Service, a high pressure system is building over the Pacific. Forecasters are predicting a combination of higher temperatures, lower humidity and gusty breezes beginning tomorrow in Northern California. This is a classic weather pattern for fire conditions to begin in the north and move south.

Estote Parati,

-- Kurt, N6MD
Julian and Lake Hodges

Article below is from 10pm Tuesday night... this fire in LA County has now grown to 100 acres, according to the IC...

http://www.pe.com/localnews/inland/stories/PE_News_Local_D_webbaldy2.f38646.html?npc

Buckhorn Fire on Mt. Baldy now over 30 acres; a few homes evacuated and hikers thought to be near blaze

Fierce winds are propelling the Buckhorn Fire burning at the top of Mt. Baldy in the Angeles National Forest, and at least two hikers are thought to be near the blaze.

Flames have charged over 30 acres, though helicopters have yet to survey the total area burned.

A light brown plume of smoke is billowing over the canyon that holds Mt. Baldy Village, which is split by the boundary line between San Bernardino and Los Angeles counties. Firefighters say the blaze has not posed a threat.

"No communities are threatened yet, but all that could change with the wind," Los Angeles County Fire spokesman James Barnes.

Bear Canyon, a small vacation community of about a half-dozen homes, has been evacuated.

Two hikers are calling for help in escaping the wildfire, officials say.

"There's a female and her father who were hiking. And now they're stuck north of the fire," said Cindy Beavers, spokeswoman for the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department. "She says they're exhausted and unsure which way to go. They can see helicopters and they're trying to get their (pilots') attention."

The hikers used a cell phone to call for help. The call was answered by Pomona Police Department dispatchers, who relayed the request to the San Bernardino County dispatchers.

When the fire started at 4:30 a.m., some helicopter crews reported 35 mph gusts at the summit. Other reports had the winds reaching 50 mph, though crews have said that the wind has died down in recent hours.

Firefighters are waiting for addition aircraft from Los Angeles, San Bernardino County and the U.S. Forest Service to attack the flames in remote area.

No firefighters have been able to reach the peak due to the steep terrain, inaccessible for by any trail or road.

140. LA County Fire on Mt. Baldy

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-13 18:45:41 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 140 Message: 140

Almost live Web cam view -->>
http://www.astro.ucla.edu/~obs/towercam.htm#imagetop

(Updated every two minutes)

141. Cover of June QST 2008 Features SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-15 05:37:06 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 141 Message: 141

The cover of QST Magazine for June, 2008 features a photo of the Escondido Amateur Radio Society's 2007 Field Day Site at Dixon Lake, high above Escondido.

Be sure to visit Dixon Lake on Field Day, June 28, 2008. It's guaranteed to be one of the best Field Day sites you'll ever see.

For directions, go to Google maps and enter "Dixon Lake, California" in the search field -->> http://maps.google.com/

Congrats to everyone in EARS who has worked hard over the years to create the environment for the most photogenic Field Day Photo of 2007.

To see the QST cover, click here...

http://www.lakehodges.com/QST-June-2008.jpg

If you don't subscribe to QST, now is the time to do so! Click on "Join Now" on this page -->> https://www.arrl.org/forms/membership/

It's the best $39 you'll ever spend.

73,

-- Kurt, N6MD
Lake Hodges

142. Red Flag Until 10pm This Evening...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-20 23:02:27 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart, N6MD
Topic: 142 Message: 142

http://www.signonsandiego.com/news/metro/20080520-0958-firedanger.html

Kurt Barnhart, N6MD in Julian (Pine Hills)

143. Live Coverage - Fire in Norcal... Santa Cruz Mtns

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-22 16:19:20 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 143 Message: 143

Live stream...

http://www.nbc11.com/videostream/11441536/detail.html

144. Live Coverage - Fire in Norcal...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-22 17:10:03 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 144 Message: 144

Another Live stream from Santa Cruz Mountains...

http://www.ktvu.com/video/16361876/index.html

145. Norcal - Santa Cruz County / Summit Fire...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-22 18:16:02 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 145 Message: 145

Live stream, ABC, KGO-TV (San Francisco)...

http://abclocal.go.com/kgo/feature?section=news&id=6158710 (starts slowly - keep trying).

ABC says 10 structures lost so far, 50 structures now threatened... San Jose Fire official says Summit Fire may quadruple in size today. Currently around 2,220 acres. Winds will continue until 11pm tonite. Winds currently around 20mph with higher gusts.

500 additional firefighters are on the way, including some from SoCal.

Possible cause MIGHT be (not confirmed) civilian burning yard waste last night, covered ashes with dirt, then ashes flared up in the wind early this morning.

146. Tornado

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-23 15:53:02 UTC
From: Nan Barker
Topic: 146 Message: 146

Did anybody hear about the tornado yesterday in riverside?

Nan B

(858) 531-1005
Please visit my website@
http://basketsbynan.googlepages.com/home

147. Re: Tornado

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-05-24 19:28:10 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 146 Message: 147

--- Nan Barker <teddy_moose@...> wrote:
> Did anybody hear about the tornado yesterday in riverside?

Yes... news articles below...

http://news.google.com/news?hl=en&ie=UTF-8&tab=wn&ncl=1215056810

http://www.latimes.com/news/local/la-me-weather24-2008may24,0,3778061.story

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,357404,00.html

148. SIMULATED Earthquake Scenario Unveiled for Southern California

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-06-01 06:46:56 UTC
From: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 148 Message: 148

News Release

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B-roll animations and high-resolution images are
available at http://urbanearth.usgs.gov/shakeout.

Disaster Earthquake Scenario Unveiled for Southern California

Scientists have unveiled a hypothetical Scenario
describing how a magnitude 7.8 Southern
California earthquake □similar to the recent
earthquake in China□ would impact the region,
causing loss of lives and massive damage to
infrastructure, including critical transportation, power, and water systems.

In the Scenario, the earthquake would kill 1800
people, injure 50,000, cause $200 billion in
damage, and have long-lasting social and economic
consequences. This is the most comprehensive
analysis ever of what a major Southern California
earthquake would mean, and is the scientific
framework for what will be the largest earthquake
preparedness drill in California history, scheduled for November 13, 2008.

The November preparedness exercise, "Golden
Guardian '08," will test the ability of emergency
responders to deal with the impact of a magnitude
7.8 earthquake on the San Andreas Fault in
Southern California, and is being jointly
organized by the Governor's Office of Emergency
Services and the California Office of Homeland
Security. The Golden Guardian exercise will occur

during a week-long series of public events planned for the "Great Southern California ShakeOut." A June 4th kick-off event is planned for the "ShakeOut" to help communities plan to respond to the risks highlighted in the Scenario.

The scientific report describing the ShakeOut Scenario, jointly published by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) and the California Geological Survey (CGS), will be released today during a Congressional hearing in Washington, D.C. The House Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, led by Chairman Jim Costa (D-CA), will hold an oversight hearing on USGS efforts to prepare for future earthquakes, at 10:00 a.m. EDT in Room 1324, Longworth House Office Building.

Although imaginary, the Shakeout Scenario is based on scientists' best predictions of what would actually occur during and after a major earthquake on the San Andreas Fault.

The Scenario outlines a hypothetical earthquake in which:

☐ The strongest shaking and greatest damage is near the stretch of the San Andreas Fault that extends through the fastest growing areas of Southern California, including the Coachella Valley, Inland Empire and Antelope Valley.
☐ At least 10 million people will be exposed to heavy shaking. California's efforts at mitigation have concentrated on life safety and have been largely successful. Thus, in spite of the large numbers of people in highly shaken areas, deaths are estimated at only 1,800.
☐ Building types known to be vulnerable to damage and collapse, do indeed sustain major damage. All un-reinforced masonry buildings within 15 miles of the San Andreas Fault are completely destroyed. Those that are not retrofitted kill many occupants. Many other older building types without retrofitting contribute to over $33 billion in damage to buildings.
☐ The fault offsets all lifelines crossing into Southern California at Cajon Pass (Interstate 15), San Gorgonio Pass (Interstate 10) and along Route 14, including pipelines, power lines, roads, railways, telecommunications and aqueducts.
☐ Strong shaking continues in downtown Los

Angeles for 55 seconds ☐ nearly 8 times longer than in the Northridge Earthquake
☐ The prolonged, strong shaking heavily damages and sometimes collapses hundreds of old brick buildings, thousands of older commercial and industrial concrete buildings, many wood-frame buildings, and even a few, high-rise steel buildings. Over 600,000 buildings suffer at least some damage that causes tens of thousands of injuries and hundreds of deaths, and leaves many thousands of people without homes or jobs.
☐ Fire doubles the fatalities and economic losses. Around Southern California, there will be 1,600 fires started large enough to warrant a 911 call, and some fires merge into conflagrations that burn hundreds of city blocks. Assuming no Santa Ana winds, the models still indicate a further $65 billion in direct losses and $22 billion in indirect losses from the fires.
☐ Nearly two thirds of the hospital beds are non-functional in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties. At the same time, 50,000 people will seek treatment at emergency rooms.
☐ Thanks to a $6 billion investment in seismic safety, the State highway system fares well. However, although collapse is avoided, some bridges are non-functional so that much of the highway is not passable on the day of the event. The long duration of shaking takes a greater toll on bridges and overpasses under the jurisdiction of cities and counties where the retrofitting processes are not complete or have not begun.
☐ The largest long-term economic disruption comes from damage to the water distribution system. Damage to this system will be so extensive that some areas will have to replace the whole system, and some buildings will be without water for as long as 6 months. The direct and indirect business interruption costs attributed to the lack of water will be $50 billion.
☐ Most of the damage is predictable and much is preventable. Individuals can protect themselves and help their community by:

- Storing more water than they already have
- Keeping a fire extinguisher and knowing how to use it.
- Securing their space. This means securing building contents from flying around and reinforcing a building they own to the most current standards.

"The planned emergency drill is underpinned by the most comprehensive analysis ever of what a major Southern California earthquake would mean on the ground," said Dr. Lucile Jones, chief scientist for U.S. Geological Survey's Southern California Multi-Hazards Demonstration Project. "We know this science will help state and local agencies develop comprehensive emergency-response plans that will help us avoid the worst impacts of a major quake."

The ShakeOut Scenario is the product of an interdisciplinary collaboration of over 300 scientists, engineers, and other experts from several agencies, including the USGS, the California Geological Survey, Southern California Earthquake Center, California Office of Emergency Services and Seismic Safety Commission.

To create the Scenario, geologists determined the amount of potential motion on the part of the San Andreas Fault with the greatest risk of imminent rupture, a 200-mile long section from the Salton Sea in the Coachella Valley to just south of Gorman. From this, seismologists and computer scientists modeled the ground shaking. Engineers and building professionals used the models of ground shaking to estimate damage to the built environment. And from these damages, social scientists evaluated emergency response, casualties, and the impact on our economy and society.

The following scientists and engineers led the development of individual sections of the ShakeOut Scenario. They were responsible for bringing together the appropriate team of experts to analyze that aspect of the earthquake, leading the investigations and ensuring that the final document was written. Each of them can speak to the goals of the Scenario, the main results and the details of their expertise. They can be reached by contacting the USGS.

Dr. Lucy Jones, Seismologist, USGS, Chief Scientist
Dr. Kenneth Hudnut, Geologist, USGS, Geologic setting and ground motion prediction
Dr. Keith Porter, Engineer, University of Colorado, Physical Damages
Dr. Daniel Ponti, Geologist, USGS, Secondary Hazards
Ms. Hope Seligson, Engineer, MMI Engineering, HAZUS and loss estimation
Dr. Kimberley Shoaf, Public Health Scientist, UCLA School of Public Health, Mortality and morbidity
Dr. Michael Reichle, Chief Seismologist (ret.), California Geological Survey, Lifelines
Dr. Dennis S. Mileti, Sociologist, California

Seismic Safety Commission, Emergency Response
Dr. James Goltz, Social Psychologist, California
Office of Emergency Services, Emergency Response
Dr. Richard Bernknopf, Economist, USGS, Economics
Dr. Anne Wein, Decision Scientist, USGS, Economics
Mr. Dale A. Cox, Project Manager, USGS

A copy of the full technical report, The ShakeOut
Scenario, is available online at http://pubs.usgs.gov/of/2008/1150.
A non-technical summary narrative of the Scenario
is online at http://pubs.usgs.gov/circ/1324/.
Paper copies of the narrative are available by request.

High resolution images, and a computer animation
showing the earthquake rupture and its waves of
energy spreading across Southern California are
online at http://urbanearth.usgs.gov/shakeout.

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http://online.wr.usgs.gov/ocw/htmlmail/2008/May/22/20080522GSnr.html

149. SDGARES meeting

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-06-11 17:27:03 UTC
From: Bob Kemp
Topic: 149 Message: 149

When and where is meeting on Sat. 14th

Bob WA4CHI

150. Re: [SDGARES-2008] SDGARES meeting

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-06-12 14:07:13 UTC
From: Steve Early
Topic: 149 Message: 150

Bob,
ARES Training
Nobel Room at Scripps Memorial Hospital on June 14, 2008.
8:00 AM
Scripps Memorial Hospital Campus, Schaetzel Building
9890 Genesee Ave
La Jolla, CA 92037

Park in first lot to the right after the guard shack. Parking is $2.00. Antenna Friendly.

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151. Re: [SDGARES-2008] SDGARES meeting

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-06-12 22:45:28 UTC
From: rkemp74622@aol.com
Topic: 149 Message: 151

Thanks Steve,

?? I looked all over the SDGARES group and missed it somewhere.

Bob WA4CHI

-----Original Message-----
From: Steve Early <ad6vi@...>
To: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com
Cc: Bob Kemp <rkemp74622@...>
Sent: Thu, 12 Jun 2008 7:07 am
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152. NASTY Fires in Northern California

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-06-13 00:01:50 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 152 Message: 152

There are some NASTY Fires in Northern California.

Check Google News to stay informed. Search on "California Fire" and "Wild Fire"

Frequently, fire weather starts in the north and moves south.

Be alert!

-- Kurt, N6MD

153. NY Times Article: Some San Diego homes cannot be saved...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-06-19 07:57:41 UTC
From: SDFIRENet
Topic: 153 Message: 153
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Full article here
-->>
http://www.nytimes.com/2008/06/19/us/19fire.html?_r=2&hp=&adxnnl=1&oref=slogin&adxnnlx=1213860679-uMhBWq+623zlTxA7J8SBgw

Edited excerpts below...

Emacs!

By RANDAL C. ARCHIBOLD and KIRK JOHNSON
Published: June 19, 2008

SAN DIEGO ☐ As fire season arrives in the West,
there are growing doubts about the region☐s
ability to attack the kind of sweeping blazes
that devastated parts of California last year.

Tracy Jarman, right, the San Diego fire chief,
said residents would have to face the reality
that some homes built on the fringes of wild
lands could not be saved in a big fire.

The cost of fuel in fire trucks, a scramble to
hire new firefighters and new budget constraints
have sowed anxiety as a persistent drought
worsens in California and elsewhere, even as
heavy rains cause flooding in other parts of the country.

Here in San Diego County, where eight people died
in two big fires last year, a long-recommended
regional county fire department has still not
been created, and the San Diego city fire chief
has warned that a number of homes built ever
closer into wild lands face peril in another major blaze.

On Wednesday, the union representing federal
firefighters testified before Congress that
nearly a third of the federal fire engines in
California are unavailable because of staffing
shortfalls. Many firefighters have retired or
moved to higher-paying jobs, said Casey Judd, the union☐s business manager.

<snip>

☐The best offense is preparation and training ☐
it☐s really tough when you have to reduce that

because of the budget,☐ said Bob Roper, the
county fire chief in Ventura County, Calif.

State and federal officials have issued
statements and organized events displaying new
fire trucks to send the message that improvements
have been made since the swarm of wildfires last
year, including the two in San Diego County that
charred more than 288,000 acres and destroyed 2,100 structures.

☐I think we are as ready as we can be,☐ said
Ruben Grijalva, the director of California
Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. The
state☐s largest fire department, it has, among
other steps, increased the size of crews on its
336 engines, already deployed ☐supertanker☐
aircraft weeks earlier than normal, and
eliminated red tape that delayed use of some
military aircraft last year, Mr. Grijalva said.

But sagging under a $15 billion budget deficit,
California is well behind meeting recommendations
made after the state☐s worst wildfire season on
record in 2003. It has not added the 150 engines
a commission recommended, though the state is
delivering 15 this year to local departments and
Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger☐s budget, under
negotiation with the State Legislature, asks for
money to meet the larger goal in the next several years.

☐We are going to go and provide those kinds of
resources as we have money,☐ Mr. Schwarzenegger,
a Republican, said at a recent news conference
where he criticized a ☐dysfunctional budget
system☐ as making it difficult to find the money for added fire protection.

What is more, the Forest Service has proposed
cutting back state grants for training and personnel in its 2009 budget.

<snip>

Last week, Senator Dianne Feinstein, Democrat of
California, took note of an ominously early start
of fire season after a round of fires in Northern
California this month destroyed dozens of homes.
Mrs. Feinstein called delays in hiring federal
firefighters unacceptable and said that only 186
of the Forest Service☐s 276 engines in California
were available to respond to the fires.

☐With the hot, dry and windy conditions that led
to the 13 major fires in California,☐ the senator
said, ☐I believe the agency should have been able
to muster a stronger force. This is only further
evidence that the Forest Service must act quickly
to fill these critical staffing positions.☐

<snip>

Here in San Diego, the city fire department has
far fewer fire stations than experts say are
needed and officials are bracing for another bad year.

The city has opened an additional fire station,
plans over the next two years to clear the 1,190
acres of brush that abut housing developments and
acquired a second water-dropping helicopter to
arrive later in the summer. In addition, a county
supervisor, Ron Roberts, has pushed the county to
lease two ☐super scooper☐ firefighting planes for the fall as a stopgap.

But the city☐s former fire chief, Jeff Bowman,
has called the city and region woefully
unprepared for another round of large blazes.

☐There☐s a lot of talk, but very little action,☐
Mr. Bowman said in an interview. ☐The city has done virtually nothing.☐

Outside experts have recommended 20 additional
fire stations in the city, and elected leaders in
the city and county increasingly agree that the
only way to find a steady source of revenue for
expanded fire protection is through taxes. But
voters in the city have twice rejected the idea,
and opposition to any tax has proved a
particularly strong message for winning candidates here.

☐This county is a cheap county,☐ Mayor Jerry
Sanders of San Diego said. ☐I shouldn☐t say
cheap. It☐s thrifty. And they have not been prone
to raise taxes. That makes it pretty difficult.☐

Tracy Jarman, the San Diego city fire chief, said
residents must confront the reality that some
homes built on the fringes of wild lands cannot
be saved in a big fire. While cautiously
optimistic that the additional aircraft and other
measures will put the city on better footing in
the event of another disaster, Ms. Jarman said,
☐We didn☐t get here overnight; we☐re not going to climb out of it overnight.☐

<snip>

154. RE: [SDGARES-2008] SDGARES meeting

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-06-21 20:50:09 UTC
From: Earl Towson
Topic: 149 Message: 154

I have just returned from scout camp this morning - hope to make your next meeting...

Earl R. Towson, N1QI
<mailto:etowson@...> etowson@...
Phone: 619-670-7622

-----Original Message-----
From: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com [mailto:SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Steve Early
Sent: Thursday, June 12, 2008 7:07 AM
To: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com
Cc: Bob Kemp
Subject: Re: [SDGARES-2008] SDGARES meeting

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155. Weekend Lightning Caution...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-06-25 05:58:09 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 155 Message: 155

Forecasters have warned that a monsoon-like storm will hit Southern California ☐ and possibly San Diego County ☐ this weekend and could produce lightning strikes like the estimated 6,000 blamed for starting hundreds of fires last week in the northern part of the state.

More here...

http://www.signonsandiego.com/news/metro/20080624-1837-bn24fireprep.html

156. Update: Weekend Lightning...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-06-25 18:40:27 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 156 Message: 156

http://www.signonsandiego.com/news/metro/20080624-1837-bn24fireprep.html

The head of the NWS in San Diego disagrees with paragraph six of the
U-T article.
Someone emailed Ed Clark about this article and he replied as follows...

From: Edwin Clark
Models are indicating a slight increase in mid-level moisture over
the weekend. This might bring a few cumulus over
the mountains over the weekend, but not much more then that. Things
still look pretty dry.

157. Forecast Explanation...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-06-25 19:14:23 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 157 Message: 157

The June 25 U-T Article said...

Forecasters have warned that a monsoon-like storm
will hit Southern California ☐ and possibly San
Diego County ☐ this weekend and could produce
lightning strikes like the estimated 6,000 blamed
for starting hundreds of fires last week in the
northern part of the state. (written by Mark Arner)

At 11:52 AM 6/25/2008, Mark Arner @ uniontrib wrote:

Kurt,

This "forecast" that you are questioning was
given by CalFire officials, specifically CalFire
Chief Howard Windsor, during a 3 p.m. press
conference at CalFire's Rancho San Diego station.
I was asked by my editor to summarize that report
in a brief at about 5 p.m. and did not check with
NWS officials before writing it.

I see from an AP story in our paper today on page
A-4 there is a different and even higher number
of lighting strikes (8,000) that "set more than
800 wildfires across Northern California." That
account said it came in less than a day from an
"electrical storm," and added that it was "a rare
example of 'dry lightning' that brought little or
no rain but plenty of sparks to the state's
parched forest and grasslands.' However, the AP
story which quoted NWS in Sacramento did not
provide a forecast for the coming weekend in San
Diego County. Some of my brief was also used at
the end of that story, but not the "forecast" that you have questioned.

I just watched Channel 8's review of that same
press conference and they didn't mention the
forecast from Windsor other than to say it is
expected to be "another hot weekend' in San Diego County.

Hope that helps,

-Mark Arner

158. Update: California Fire Situation...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-06-27 06:02:02 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 158 Message: 158

USA TODAY...

LOS ANGELES ☐ Firefighters battling more than a
thousand wildfires across Northern California are
bracing for weekend winds and lightning that
threaten to spread the blazes, touch off new ones and force evacuations.

More than 12,500 firefighters were battling 1,088
fires across Northern California by late
Thursday. The number of fires and acreage was
growing so quickly that California state fire
officials were hard pressed to keep their tallies
up to date. Fewer than one-quarter of the fires had been contained.

"It is increasing almost hourly," said Carol
Jolley of the California Department of Forestry
and Fire Protection, or CalFire. "We have so many
fires there's a logistical problem just getting to them."

LA TIMES...

Fire crews from 41 states have arrived to help
California firefighters battle hundreds of blazes
that are darkening skies over the San Francisco Bay area and Central Valley.

WILLOWS JOURNAL...

Fires continue to burn, exhaust firefighters

Scores of wildfires sparked by an unprecedented
lightning storm last weekend have kept weary
fighters busy for nearly a week... Firefighters
from the US Forest Service, Cal Fire, US Fish and
Wildlife Service and private contractors continue
to battle the blaze in 6-foot chaparral, oak
woodland, grass, conifer and timber.

SANTA CRUZ SENTINEL...

Cal Fire firefighters work 30 days straight

Three major fires in the past month have left
fire resources stretched thin statewide and some
firefighters without a day off in the past
month. State fire officials say a boost in early
season manpower and equipment has helped them
battle a fit of blazes across Central and Northern California.

But the early fireload, including blazes in areas
that rarely see them, like Santa Cruz County, is
straining state and local firefighting resources
and spurring concern about how firefighters and
their gear will hold up during a drawn-out fire season.

SAN JOSE MERCURY NEWS...

Overwhelmed firefighters ask governor, lawmakers for help

SACRAMENTO ☐ A firefighters' blue-ribbon task
force created by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger in
2004 ☐ and revived last year after devastating
blazes ☐ pleaded with the governor and lawmakers
Thursday to "get real" about the growing wildfire threat facing California.

The task force, which includes top fire officials
in Contra Costa and Alameda counties, issued a
statement calling for funds to finance more
firefighters, year-round staffing in rural areas,
and additional engines and aircraft in future years.

Sheldon Gilbert, Alameda County's fire chief and
a commission member, said, "We're saying, 'Hey,
we have a problem out there.' This is the third
siege in five years. We need to move forward very aggressively."

Fires continue to spread as new ones are being
discovered, officials said. Firefighters are
focusing efforts on those blazes that threaten
life and property, while forces prepare for more
thunderstorms through the weekend...Task force
member Lou Paulson, a Contra Costa County fire
captain and president of California Professional
Firefighters, said fires once typical in
wildlands are now extending into suburbs and potentially even into city limits.

AFP...

Californians warned of smoke threat as 1,000 fires burn

SAN FRANCISCO (AFP) ☐ Californians were warned to
protect themselves against choking smoke on

Thursday as more than 1,000 wildfires blazed across the northern half of the state. Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger said residents in affected areas needed to keep windows and doors closed, urging people suffering from asthma and respiratory illness to take special care.

"The whole state of California is filled with smoke, it's filled with smoke everywhere," Schwarzenegger told a press briefing in Butte County. "People have to be very cautious, because smoke is very damaging to your lungs and to your health... "

KABC-TV...

SoCal prepares for summer fire season

RIVERSIDE (KABC) -- As hundreds of wildfires continue to rage out of control in Northern California, officials in Southern California are hoping to avoid a similar fate. In the foothills of Riverside, officials have imposed some brand new fire restrictions. Officials said the moisture level in the chaparral, in the low grass in the foothills of the mountains and deserts inland, is just about normal for this time of summer. But with each hot day, the moisture level decreases, and the danger of fire increases.

Fire officials are monitoring the devastation in Northern California with the certain knowledge it could happen in Southern California. And experience tells us not particularly from lightning strikes, but from human carelessness.

Restrictions are in effect in the national forests... Fireworks will soon be going on sale in many communities. That's a concern for firemen...

FOX 6 SAN DIEGO...

San Diego Firefighting Resources Stretched

☐I think what the community really wants to know is are we prepared?☐ asks Augie Ghio, President of the San Diego Fire Chief Association, and Chief of the San Miguel Fire Department. ☐We are.☐

But after losing 20 percent of their engines to
fight fires in Northern California, officials
from CAL Fire and across San Diego County admit local resources are stretched.

☐When you only have so many assets, you have to
do the best you can and work together,☐ says
Tracy Jarman, Chief of the City of San Diego Fire Department.

Fire officials have already put adjoining states
on speed-dial, and say they won☐t give up any
more crews to Northern California.

Explains Tom Gardner, CAL Fire Battalion Chief,
☐This is as low as we're going to go, and this will be as serious it gets.☐

So firefighters are asking San Diegans to use
this time to ask, ☐Are they prepared to leave
their homes in 15 minutes and have everything
they need, everything that's valuable to them?☐
adds Ron Lane, Director of County Office of Emergency Services...

159. San Diego Union - Field Day Article

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-06-27 21:33:04 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 159 Message: 159

Very good article on Field Day... Page B3 - Friday June 27, 2008 San Diego Union

http://www.signonsandiego.com/news/metro/20080627-9999-1m27radiohed.html

Special Thanks for the great effort by Kurt Barnhart N6MD in making the press aware of Ham Radio

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Howard S. White Ph.D. P. Eng., VE3GFW/K6 ex-AE6SM KY6LA
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"No Good Deed Goes Unpunished"
"Ham Antennas Save Lives - Katrina, 2003 & 2007 San Diego Fires, 911"

160. Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-15 21:32:03 UTC
From: Bob Kemp
Topic: 160 Message: 160

Hi all,

I've been given the task of finding a meeting place for this year's Ham Radio Roundup. I am at a slight disadvantage in that I am relatively new here, and I don't know a thing about this 'Roundup'. KY6LA has suggested getting in touch with Westfield shopping centers. Has anyone participated in this roundup that can give me advice?

Thanks in advance,
BobK - WA4CHI

161. Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-14 22:10:35 UTC
From: rkemp74622@aol.com
Topic: 160 Message: 161

Hi, folks,

?? Our SEC has given me the task of finding a site for Ham Radio Roundup this year. I am at a loss being somewhat new here and not knowing a thing about the Ham Radio Roundup. Could any of you battle-hardened vets out there who have worked on this activity before, share your experiences or where it has been held , etc. I would muchly appreciate the input.

Bob Kemp - WA4CHI

162. Re: [SDGARES-2008] Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-15 23:34:58 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NZ6T
Topic: 160 Message: 162

Bob...we have had the Round up at several locations. The best, imho was at Missile park, but it is no longer. I would also suggest a shopping mall. I think Plaza Bonita has a lot of parking space which would be very accessible to the public, which is what we want....maybe some others do as well. Bob Kemp wrote: > > Hi all, > > I've been given the task of finding a meeting place for this year's > Ham Radio Roundup. I am at a slight disadvantage in that I am > relatively new here, and I don't know a thing about this 'Roundup'. > KY6LA has suggested getting in touch with Westfield shopping centers. > Has anyone participated in this roundup that can give me advice? > > Thanks in advance, > BobK - WA4CHI > > -- ********** Tuck Miller NZ6T Past ARRL Southwestern Division Vice Director Ham Radio, not just a hobby, but a SERVICE!! Read Tuck's Official Ham Blog (changes often): http://journals.aol.com/mrtuckmiller/tucks-thoughts/ (http://www.TickerFactory.com/)

163. RE: [SDGARES-2008] Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-15 22:02:45 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 160 Message: 163

Bob:

The historical intent of the Ham Radio Roundup was to gather together all the local ham radio groups such as RACES, Red Cross, ARES, PARC, CERO, EARS, ARCEC, Six Shooters, PAPA D-Star System, Winsystem, SANDRA, SANDARC, SOBARS, DX Club, CERT, etc at the same time in one place to have them demonstrate various aspects of ham radio to the public and to other hams. It was also beneficial if a small flea market could be attached to it so as to attract traffic to attend.

However, due to a total lack of any understanding of marketing, it had always been held in out of the way places such as remote parks where no one from the public or media ever attended. Net result is that it fell by the wayside as a waste of time as we were only preaching to the choir. This is NOT field Day so I would strongly suggest that it would be a mistake to repeat the mistakes of the past and continue to site it in out of the main stream locations.

It was suggested that if the Roundup is resurrected then the best place was to have it in the corner of a Shopping Plaza - such as UTC or Fashion Valley or Mission Valley which are managed by Westfield - where it would be highly visible to the public and would easily garner the attention of the media. Shopping Plazas are always looking for special events to drive traffic to them and they are also looking to be seen to be doing Public Benefit Events which this would be.... ARES already has liability insurance so It should be a no brainer to get them to give you a date.

Howard S. White Ph.D. P. Eng., VE3GFW/K6 ex-AE6SM KY6LA
Website: www.ky6la.com <http://www.ky6la.com/>
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From: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com [mailto:SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com]
On Behalf Of rkemp74622@...
Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 3:11 PM
To: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com
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The Famous, the Infamous, the Lame - in your browser. Get the TMZ Toolbar Now <http://toolbar.aol.com/tmz/download.html?NCID=aolcmp00050000000014> !

164. Re: [SDGARES-2008] Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 15:44:50 UTC
From: Mark Williams
Topic: 160 Message: 164

I suggest one of the open air malls such as Horton Plaza or Chula Vista Mall.
Lots of room for antennas to be seen.
73's
Mark
KF6ZBF

Bob Kemp <rkemp74622@...> wrote: Hi all,

I've been given the task of finding a meeting place for this year's
Ham Radio Roundup. I am at a slight disadvantage in that I am
relatively new here, and I don't know a thing about this 'Roundup'.
KY6LA has suggested getting in touch with Westfield shopping centers.
Has anyone participated in this roundup that can give me advice?

Thanks in advance,
BobK - WA4CHI

165. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 13:24:10 UTC
From: wa6mhz_1
Topic: 160 Message: 165

One of the needs for the roundup is to have a place to set up antennas which might be a problem in a parking lot If we used the grassy areas there would be alot of apprehension about the sprinkler systems and grass damage by the mall management. Usually, the participants do like to set up a Field Day type of antenna system. Big antennas impress and attract visitors. So in getting a Shopping center location, we would need to be sure it was OK to use the grassy areas for setting up towers. Very difficult to set up a tower on blacktop unless you have one of these ultra-fancy Tower trailers like US Towers has at Visalia.
I especially like the idea of having a Flea Market, but that might be a problem for Mall management too. Of course, we don't have to tell about that them ahead of time. But we don't want to make them mad.

In the past, the public parks worked well, but I don't want to see it in Balboa Park as it is overrun with Homeless Tramps who would be hassling the particpants and visitors and probably stealing stuff as well.
One thing that worked well at the last roundup was the free cookout. All the hamburgers, hot dogs and chow the participants could eat. Everyone enjoyed that. I volunteer to cook if someone will come up with a BBQ. Maybe ARCEC can be talked into lending theirs if the right people are convinced.
The key to success is publicity and News coverage. As mentioned, the last several times, it was well attended by Hams but no one else showed up. No public, no news crews, no newspapers. Hams like showing off what they can do to other hams, but the whole point is to show off to the PUBLIC what Hams can do, and how we are ready for the next Firestorm. There should be plenty of Go-Kits, Winlink, and EMCOMM displays, as well as special interest like ATV, Microwave, Laser communications, APRS and other exciting modes.

Anxious to see it happen again, Good luck Bob, you sure have all our support and help!

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, "Howard S. White" <drpaper@...>
wrote:
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> Bob:
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> The historical intent of the Ham Radio Roundup was to gather together
> all the local ham radio groups such as RACES, Red Cross, ARES, PARC,
> CERO, EARS, ARCEC, Six Shooters, PAPA D-Star System, Winsystem, SANDRA,
> SANDARC, SOBARS, DX Club, CERT, etc at the same time in one place to

> have them demonstrate various aspects of ham radio to the public and to
> other hams. It was also beneficial if a small flea market could be
> attached to it so as to attract traffic to attend.
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> However, due to a total lack of any understanding of marketing, it had
> always been held in out of the way places such as remote parks where no
> one from the public or media ever attended. Net result is that it fell
> by the wayside as a waste of time as we were only preaching to the
> choir. This is NOT field Day so I would strongly suggest that it would
> be a mistake to repeat the mistakes of the past and continue to site it
> in out of the main stream locations.
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> It was suggested that if the Roundup is resurrected then the best place
> was to have it in the corner of a Shopping Plaza - such as UTC or
> Fashion Valley or Mission Valley which are managed by Westfield - where
> it would be highly visible to the public and would easily garner the
> attention of the media. Shopping Plazas are always looking for special
> events to drive traffic to them and they are also looking to be seen to
> be doing Public Benefit Events which this would be.... ARES already has
> liability insurance so It should be a no brainer to get them to give you
> a date.
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> _____
> Howard S. White Ph.D. P. Eng., VE3GFW/K6 ex-AE6SM KY6LA
> Website: www.ky6la.com <http://www.ky6la.com/>
> "No Good Deed Goes Unpunished"
> "Ham Antennas Save Lives - Katrina, 2003 & 2007 San Diego Fires, 911"
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> From: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com [mailto:SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com]
> On Behalf Of rkemp74622@...
> Sent: Monday, July 14, 2008 3:11 PM
> To: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [SDGARES-2008] Ham Radio Roundup
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> Hi, folks,
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> Our SEC has given me the task of finding a site for Ham Radio Roundup
> this year. I am at a loss being somewhat new here and not knowing a

> thing about the Ham Radio Roundup. Could any of you battle-hardened vets
> out there who have worked on this activity before, share your
> experiences or where it has been held , etc. I would muchly appreciate
> the input.
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> Bob Kemp - WA4CHI
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> _____
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> The Famous, the Infamous, the Lame - in your browser. Get the TMZ
> Toolbar Now
> <http://toolbar.aol.com/tmz/download.html?NCID=aolcmp00050000000014> !
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166. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 18:16:29 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 160 Message: 166

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, "Bob Kemp" <rkemp74622@...> wrote:
> I've been given the task of finding a meeting place for this year's
> Ham Radio Roundup.

PARC had an excellent field day site this year in a large open field
near Highway 78 and Woodland Pkwy in San Marcos. Convenient for many people, highly visible. Yes, you can erect large antennas there, you can have a cook out, and you can probably have a flea market too.

Other nice places are Dos Picos Park in Ramona and Heise Park near Julian.

More parks here -->> http://www.co.san-diego.ca.us/parks/parklist.html

-- Kurt, N6MD

167. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 18:40:41 UTC
From: Richard Scardino
Topic: 160 Message: 167

Something centrally located in the county will attract more people
and give better exposure. Though I'm not sure where you would set
up antennas at Horton Plaza.
Has anyone thought about Mission Bay??
--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, Kurt Barnhart <N6MD@ arrl.net>
wrote:
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> -- Kurt, N6MD
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168. RE: [SDGARES-2008] Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 18:30:38 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 160 Message: 168

Please do not repeat the mistakes of yesteryear and stick it into remote parks where no one from the public will attend....

PARKS did not work in the past and there is no reason to assume that anything will change....

This is NOT FIELD DAY.

Also I note that suggestions of locations seem to originate close to where the respondent lives such as Plaza Bonita from a southern respondent and Ramona from a northern respondent

From a marketing point of view, it should be located as CENTRALLY as possible nearest the largest population concentrations, not nearest the locations of potential ham participants.. Hams will attend anyways....

Antennas on Grasslands?..... Bogus issue... there are Several portable Ham Towers in SD County owned by Hams (N6OX has one like the big US Tower trailer N7TY has Harvey's trailer) and RACES and Chula Vista PD... You only need to ask to get them there or better yet... get ARES to pay the cost of the gas....

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From: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com [mailto:SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com]
On Behalf Of Kurt Barnhart
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2008 11:16 AM
To: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [SDGARES-2008] Re: Ham Radio Roundup

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-- Kurt, N6MD

169. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 19:08:32 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 160 Message: 169

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, "Howard S. White" <drpaper@...>
wrote:
>
> Please do not repeat the mistakes of yesteryear and stick it into
remote
> parks where no one from the public will attend....

That's why I suggested the large open field along 78 at Woodland
Parkway.

There are thousands of cars passing by each hour.

Four lane freeway x two directions - eight lanes = MANY cars

HIGH visibility.

-- Kurt, N6MD

170. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 19:21:31 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 160 Message: 170

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, "Howard S. White" <drpaper@...>
wrote:
> Please do not repeat the mistakes of yesteryear and stick it into
remote parks where no one from the public will attend....

Another highly visible spot is the asphalt parking lot at Westfield
North County Mall on I-15 at Via Rancho Parkway south of Escondido
and north of Rancho Bernardo. This area was used for public events
after the Witch Fire in Oct 2007 and can accommodate about 20,000
people. They set up tents and barbeques and many public displays. It
is visible to motorists driving northbound on I-15. The problem is
that an earlier posting said it is hard to erect towers on asphalt
and that the shopping mall might discourage a flea market.

If parking lots are acceptable, another location might be one of the
parking lots at Qualcomm Stadium. There is a big Fire Preparedness
event in parking section J this coming Saturday (July 18) from 11am
to 5pm that should attract a lot of people. Maybe some of you can
visit that event and see how well it works out. The intersection of I-
8 and I-15 is about as visible as you can get. Can't imagine anywhere
else with more public visibility.

The announcement for the July 18 Fire Preparedness Event
says "Qualcomm Stadium Parking Section J and the grass field," so
apparently there is some grass there too.

Can someone visit there on 7/18 between 11am and 4pm and find out?

-- Kurt, N6MD

171. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 19:24:48 UTC
From: Mark Williams
Topic: 160 Message: 171

Horton Plaza is an open air mall with lots of vertical open space. Dipoles could be tied to railings. Getting out is not as important as showing off.
Your right - no room inside for a TALL tower, or LARGE boom, however, it could be in the middle of all the action with a lot of foot traffic. Maybe they would allow the RACES truck into the place.

I love Mission Bay - but I fear comparably not much foot traffic will stroll by and look if the plan is to attract new members.

Last weekend was the Imperial Beach Sandcastle event. Reported had 300,000 people walk by our LARGE attractive CERT booth and trailer. We had lots of free info, radios and visual displays, and as typical of this event, not as many people were interested as one could hope.

In reality - large boom antennas may help, then again J Poles, and Yagies are pretty good eyewash. Would be good to have lots of old radios to display, as well as new stuff.

Two weeks ago I was in Las Vegas, I went to AES there and saw they had a single page free handout with all of the local repeaters on one side, and all of the clubs on the other. They also sponsor a first Saturday of the month swap meet in their parking lot. Maybe HRO wants to partner up on this.

Thanks
Mark

172. Coax cable loss chart

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 19:26:15 UTC
From: wa6mhz_1
Topic: 172 Message: 172

I am upgrading coaxes in the station, so I made up this chart for all
to see just how much loss your choice of coax cable will make in the
run to the antenna. It seems LMR-400 is the clear winner!
Check it out in the SDGARES-2008 Files section

173. Re: [SDGARES-2008] Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 20:12:56 UTC
From: Steve Early
Topic: 160 Message: 173

To all,
Let me see if I can add to the confusion.

1) Agreed that is should be a very PUBLIC venue, rather than hidden away.

2) August 23rd was arbitrarily selected because it was the first Saturday I had free, and I believed that it would only get hotter in September and possibly October.
I am open to other dates, but would like to attend.

3) Heat is a factor: While a central location is desireable, I would want to add more weight to locations closer to the (typically) cooler coastal air.

4) During emergencies, we are likely to set up in parking lots and such anyway. However, I would want lots of head-height. If we are truly portable, we should not be dependent upon "planting" Towers.
The Orange County Red Cross does an annual event ,similar to this, in a parking lot.

5) - The Kicker -
At the San Diego Healthcare Disaster Council Meeting this morning (July 16th), County OES reminded everyone that SEPTEMBER is National Preparedness Month.
A request was made for each attendee to provide information on any preparedness events/exercises, etc., so that the County can work on getting Media Coverage for them.

While I believe in sticking to schedules, I cannot help but wonder if there might be an opportunity in re-scheduling to sometime in September, if just to gain media coverage.

Regardless, we need to find a good venue.
PUBLIC
Fairly Central
Not too hot
Freeway Access
Easy Parking
Inexpensive to use.

Steve Early

174. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 20:33:34 UTC
From: Richard Scardino
Topic: 160 Message: 174

Steve,
It would be great to link this up with National Preparedness Month.
Mission Bay Park has a huge grass area and lots of parking. Would
keep things cool even in September.

Richars Scardino
KC6RJS
San Diego RACES

175. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 20:17:51 UTC
From: Nan Barker
Topic: 160 Message: 175

Well I don't know how much it would cost. But there is Qualcomm stadium, you have a big parking lot, a grassy area, centrally located, kinda in a valley, near the malls and the freeways. Maybe that would be worth looking into?

176. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 22:08:25 UTC
From: Earl Towson
Topic: 160 Message: 176

If we could do it in late October we would escape this confounded Heat (I'm sitting I a puddle of sweat at the moment - HA!). Also everyone would have their gear in tip-top shape and be in good form for the November State/FEMA drill...

Earl R. Towson, N1QI
etowson@...
Phone: 619-670-7622

177. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 20:49:30 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 160 Message: 177

Please do not repeat the mistakes of yesteryear

All these out of the way places such as Mission Bay and Qualcomm are fine for hams but do not draw traffic...

We are forgetting why we do this.... It is to inform the Public about Ham Radio...

Put it in a SHOPPING PLAZA where people will see it and are going to go to anyways....

Not some out of the way place where they have to make a special trip (gas costs money and even hams are balking at driving distances)

Coordinating it with the County National Preparedness Month is a great idea

Maybe we could piggy back onto some Public (PLAZA) location where some other entities such as Red Cross will also be...

And as I said, Westfield manages at least a dozen local shopping malls

They are usually very receptive to Public Service Events such as this....

... Has anyone called them yet?

178. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 22:54:26 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart >
Topic: 160 Message: 178

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, "Howard S. White" <drpaper@...>
wrote: And as I said, Westfield manages at least a dozen local shopping malls
> They are usually very receptive to Public Service Events such as
> this....Has anyone called them yet?

From N6MD... Yes, as a matter of fact I did...

INDOOR events (community room) Non-profit rates: $160 for the first six hours... $75 for additional hours.

OUTDOOR events -- "Generally we don't allow events in the parking lots.
Only for extraordinary situations such as emergencies and
evacuations, like we had last year..."

Kelly Nelson
Westfield Management
760-489-0631
fax - 489-7150

179. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 23:05:11 UTC
From: Nan Barker
Topic: 160 Message: 179

Maybe next year we can think about doing it the same day as the fire expo and have a couple of booths set up. There are tons of people that go to the fire expo every year. We can sell ourselves to the public then in the perfect arena, there where they are promoting preparedness for disaster.

180. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 22:57:52 UTC
From: rkemp74622@aol.com
Topic: 160 Message: 180

Hi, Steve,

One of the members suggested Mission Bay Park. I live a stone's throw from their information bldg. at the W. end of Clairemont Dr, and will query them tomorrow. The bldg. has soft drink machines, bathrooms. Freeway access is just turn off I-5 into the Park. Are you familiar with the Park?

BobK - WA4CHI

181. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 23:15:14 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 160 Message: 181

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, rkemp74622@... wrote:
> One of the members suggested Mission Bay Park. I live a stone's throw from their information bldg. at the W. end of Clairemont Dr, and will query them tomorrow...

It's not likely that anyone there has any authority.

Try City Hall instead -- or the Parks Department main office.

http://www.sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/

Kurt, N6MD

182. Re: [SDGARES-2008] Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 23:09:29 UTC
From: rkemp74622@aol.com
Topic: 160 Message: 182

If we could be assured of prior media coverage, ie. KY6LA's e-mail, it could help attendance.
BobK - WA4CHI

183. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 23:43:27 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 160 Message: 183

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, rkemp74622@... wrote:
> If we could be assured of prior media coverage, ie. KY6LA's e-mail, it could help attendance.
> BobK - WA4CHI

If you want media coverage, how about the parking lot of the Union Tribune in Mission Valley, next to the Fashion Valley Mall?

Get the U-T to "sponsor" the event and invite the public.

-- N6MD

184. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 23:41:59 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NZ6T
Topic: 160 Message: 184

If I remember correctly the El Cajon club held one FD at Grossmont Jr. College and much of it was set up in the parking lot. Yes, there was some set up in the adjoining field as well.

185. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 23:51:01 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NZ6T
Topic: 160 Message: 185

I mentioned Plaza Bonita simply because that is a place I am familiar with. I also agree that it should be held at a location that is centrally located. Since San Diego is the most populous city, that is where most of our people will be coming from.

Also, this I feel is very important, we need to keep the past in the past, and look forward to the future. What is the best for the future?

A southern Respondent.....lol

186. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 23:56:59 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NZ6T
Topic: 160 Message: 186

Just a thought...maybe something like Fiesta Island.....
and again, let's leave yesteryear where it belongs...in the past...let's keep looking into the future.

187. Re: Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-16 23:42:44 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 160 Message: 187

Mission Bay is a BAD idea.
It repeats the same old mistakes of the past where no member of the public attended so we stopped doing it.
Needs to be a
Public Place with
Self Generated Traffic - like people coming there to shop.
No member of the Public is going to make a special effort just to see Ham Radio.
This is NOT Field Day.

188. Compact Fluorescent Lamps and Wi-Fi

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-17 03:52:00 UTC
From: Mark Williams
Topic: 160 Message: 188

Here is something that I have learned and need to share:

Awhile back I installed a compact screw in fluorescent light into one of the dawn to dusk sensors - it killed our computer wi-fi. Yesterday our neighbor did the same thing and killed the wi-fi.

In both cases - turn off the lights and the wy-fi comes back.

In both cases - replaced the compact lights with good ole' incandescent and problem solved.

In both cases, a piece of black electrical tape over the dawn/duck sensor solved the problem.

In both cases problem only occurred when the light came on in the evening and stay a problem until the light was turned off. It could also be repeated and proved to be the problem.

The cause is RF noise is being generated killing the computer and my AM radio. (which is what I used to trace the problem.)

I don't know if this will be a problem on HF but I know we will get blamed (as I did).

I suspect this problem will grow as our elected officials mandate the use of these lamps.

73's
Mark
KF6ZBF

189. RE: [SDGARES-2008] Compact Fluorescent Lamps and Wi-Fi

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-17 12:38:06 UTC
From: Kent Tiburski
Topic: 160 Message: 189

Mark,

I have replaced every light in my house with the compact fluorescent bulbs (60watt equivalents, 9 watt draw) including the one in my shack. My Wi-Fi is unaffected and I have noticed no noise whatsoever even on the low bands (80/75/40 mtrs). Perhaps one or more of the bulbs you used are bad or maybe there are bad ones (brand) being made, I don't know. I bought mine at Wallmart about 5-6 months ago. They have saved me money and appear to be clean RF wise. One other note, my house was recently rewired during a remodel with new grounds installed. Maybe that could be a factor. Not sure of your house configuration. Still things to consider.

This an important issue for us as our Gov't has mandated that all incandescent bulbs be replaced and no longer manufactured. Anyone else have this problem?

73, Kent, K6FQ

190. FIRENET's Action Plan

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-17 07:27:54 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 190 Message: 190

As many of you will recall both in Firestorm 2003 and 2007, ad-hoc FIRENET's on repeaters such as SANDRA, FALLBROOK, PARC and RAMONA played a major role in collection and dissemination of real time information collected by hams with their eyes and ears on the ground that proved vital to the saving of life and property. While some vital communications was handled for served agencies such as RACES, RED CROSS, SALVATION ARMY and EMS, by far the majority of Ham communications was through the FIRENET's.

These nets were ad-hoc in that there was no organization or structure that coordinated and verified the information but rather that role rested with sometimes unprepared and definitely overwhelmed net controls.

Fire Season is about to hit us again.

Several months ago, I suggested that there had to be a better way to organize information collected and disseminated by the FIRENET's to ensure that it was properly verified before it was disseminated.

So far, because of the difficult regime change, there has not been enough time to dedicate any resources such as ARES to developing a workable action plan.

Now that the regime change has happened, it is time to start working on a FIRENET Action Plan

So I welcome suggestions to this reflector on how we might want to run the FIRENET's better this time around...

191. Re: [SDGARES-2008] Ham Radio Roundup

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-17 03:08:07 UTC
From: Mark Williams
Topic: 160 Message: 191

Scary thought -

Who are we (HAM people) a bunch of do it your self's.
What do we want - High visibility, Low cost.
Where do we go if not to HRO? Shopping malls? No.
We go to The Home Depot, Lowes, Wal Mart.
Where is it likely we would find others to join us if not at HRO?

With that said, there are many choices and if I was the manager at one of the places - I would set aside a spot in the parking lot. Choose one of the newer stores - IE follow the money.

Okay - scary thought. Please keep the laughing to yourself.

Mark

192. Re: FIRENET's Action Plan

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-17 15:52:14 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 190 Message: 192

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, "Howard S. White" <drpaper@...>
wrote:
> Fire Season is about to hit us again.
> Several months ago, I suggested that there had to be a better way to
> organize information collected and disseminated by the FIRENET's to
> ensure that it was properly verified before it was disseminated.

Except for eight or ten big fires in the past 10 years, most fires are micro-local. I don't think it's humanly possible (or wise) for a committee of Amateurs or the ARRL to try and manage a comprehensive county-wide plan. San Diego County is bigger than the 20 smallest states -- and that's probably too large an area for one group to try and address. There are other reasons that can be discussed at another time.

What DOES work is micro-local groups who are connected intimately to their local agencies.

In North County -- Amateurs in Fallbrook, Ramona, Valley Center, Carlsbad, Vista, San Marcos, Escondido, etc. have organized themselves locally and are well integrated with their local sheriff, EOC, fire department, CERT, etc.

Elsewhere -- Mountain Empire, Campo, Dulzura, Mount Laguna, Descanso, El Cajon, Chula Vista, Imperial Beach, Coronado and others (I don't know them all -- but Steve does) have done the same.

I think we're kidding ourselves if we think these successful local groups will want to cede any responsibility to ARES or any other organization that is located outside their community, so I wouldn't spend any time thinking about that. Let the local groups continue doing what they are doing well.

If you want some kind of county-wide or region-wide plan, find out what the local groups want in the way of outside support, and then give it to them. Otherwise, stay out of their way and let them do what they have historically done better than ARES. The last thing they want is outside interference or attempted micromanaging.

Just my humble opinion...

Kurt, N6MD
Julian and Lake Hodges

193. RE: Compact Fluorescent Lamps and Wi-Fi

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-17 15:47:42 UTC
From: Mark Williams
Topic: 160 Message: 193

Et al,
We have CFL throughout the house, and next to my HAM Radio. It is ONLY when a CFL is installed into an existing outside fixture that has a dawn dusk sensor. The sensors say don't use with CFL, but we all will.

My CFL's came from Wal Mart, Home Depot, Lowes etc...

It also wipes out my AM radio tuned to KFI in Los Angeles, or KOGO in San Diego. No affect noticed on FM Radio.

Try it.

Mark

194. SDDX Club Roster in .PDF Attached

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-17 16:52:37 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 194 Message: 194
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

You should be able to read the attached PDF file.

It will also be posted in the files section of this group.

-->> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDGARES-2008/files/

If you need a free Copy of Acrobat Reader, look here...

-->> http://www.adobe.com/go/EN_US-H-GET-READER

195. RE: Compact Fluorescent Lamps and Wi-Fi

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-17 17:37:39 UTC
From: David Doan
Topic: 160 Message: 195

I have found compact fluorescent lamps to be quite variable. The ones
I have came from Home Depot, and I think they were all made in China.
:-(

196. Re: Compact Fluorescent Lamps and Wi-Fi

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-17 18:21:31 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 160 Message: 196

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, Mark Williams <mwilli5542@...>
wrote: Awhile back I installed a compact screw in fluorescent light into one of the dawn to dusk sensors - it killed our computer wi-fi. Yesterday our neighbor did the same thing and killed the wi-fi.

Mark...

You're probably using Wi-Fi channel 11, which spans a range from 2.447 GHz to 2.462 GHz. Certain Asian-manufactured, pre-2007 spiral-type non-integrated CFL lamps with a sub-nominal colloidal atomic weight (commonly sold at Wal-Mart), emit hyper-modulated Geissler-enabled prismatic energy at 10 to the 14th power Hz, and are especially fulgent between 492.5 and 493.75 nm.

If you connect one of those lights to an ASCE-7-compliant dawn to dusk sensor (Type AF-401d), the two may combine sympathetically to create a rectified, high-capacitance Thévenin circuit. Depending on the effective Edison dimension of the recessed socket in the the sensor, this would potentially generate cross-phased oscillated sub-harmonics at approximately 2.4545 GHz.

2.4545 GHz happens to be located precisely in the center of Wi-fi channel 11, and is equal to the cubed root of the tangential vector, thus propagating the nonhypotenal radiant of the co-resonant wavelength of the CFL lamp's phenyl-phosphorous light emissions to create a zero-beat interferant electromagnetic energy burst phenomena (Type UL-cra-P-py).

All this is obvious if you read IEEE Draft 80211.y-not.69/2008bs.

I'm surprised that you didn't already figure this out yourself.

73,

-- Kurt, N6MD

197. RE: [SDGARES-2008] Re: FIRENET's Action Plan

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-17 17:08:06 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 190 Message: 197

While I respect your "let the locals do it" opinion... and I agree that for most small fires that is the best way to go....

However....It does not reflect the reality of what really happened in the FIRESTORMS...

Wide Area FIRENETS Happened.

.. because the local Nets were either burned out or were overwhelmed...or evacuated....

Yes ARES Failed to perform... but that was primarily a management issue.. Which Steve hopefully has been corrected now.

We still need to address the fact that Wide AREA FIRENET's will happen again in the Next Firestorm

How can we organize them so that there is a more effective way to collect and VERIFY information?

We need to organize them so that the Net Controls have the assistance of Scribes to make sure information is collected and recorded.

We need to organize them so that there is a structure for the Net Controls to pass traffic and even more important for relief Net Controls to be available.

How do we organize the transitions between Net Controls to make sure information is not lost.

198. Re: [SDGARES-2008] RE: Compact Fluorescent Lamps and Wi-Fi

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-17 21:01:42 UTC
From: David Doan
Topic: 160 Message: 198

Let's try this again. Half of my message got chopped off somewhere.

I have found compact fluorescent lamps to be quite variable. The ones
I have came from Home Depot, and I think they were all made in China.

The one in my shack causes no trouble. The identical one in the hall
wipes
out 6 meters. I have two with light sensors. One wipes out 220 some
of time,
the other one doesn't. The one's in the kitchen cause no trouble.
None of them bother HF.

So some of the problem is in manufacturing quality control.

- David
- kc6yso

199. San Diego Red Flag Patrols - August QST - Page 60

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-17 23:04:36 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 199 Message: 199

There is an excellent article by Paul, KC6QLS, on Cal Fire Red Flag Patrols on Page 60 of QST August 2008.

200. Re: [SDGARES-2008] SDDX Club Roster in .PDF Attached

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-18 07:56:07 UTC
From: rkemp74622@aol.com
Topic: 194 Message: 200

Howard,

I have the latest .pdf reader. My point is when you try to read or change a .doc? file? on MY computer Adobe and other file? changers look for a registered copy? of? Word.? As per my explanation in previous post I now no longer have a Registered copy and Microsoft has told me in so many words, sri, ur SOL? when I emailed for help.

201. RE: [SDGARES-2008] SDDX Club Roster in .PDF Attached

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-18 15:33:14 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 194 Message: 201

Do you have any evidence whatsoever that you owned a registered copy of Word

If not, you are truly SOL... and would have to buy a legit copy.

202. Re: [SDGARES-2008] SDDX Club Roster in .PDF Attached

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-18 23:54:17 UTC
From: rkemp74622@aol.com
Topic: 194 Message: 202

All I have is the hologam sticker on the computer case from Microsoft that shows the 25 digit product code.
-----Original Message-----
From: Howard S. White <drpaper@...>
To: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Fri, 18 Jul 2008 8:33 am
Subject: RE: [SDGARES-2008] SDDX Club Roster in .PDF Attached

Do you have any evidence whatsoever that you owned a registered copy of

Word

If not, you are truly SOL... and would have to buy a legit copy.

203. RE: SDDX Club Roster in .PDF Attached

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-19 21:19:00 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 194 Message: 203

1. Your 25 digit product code is likely the code for
Windows

2. Go back to your vendor with your receipt in hand
and ask them for the licenses and/or the backup and restore disks

3. Likely they will not have them but should be able
to give you something that will do the trick

4. If not, there are cheap obsolete copies of MS Works
online which should be sufficient.

204. Re: SDDX Club Roster in .PDF Attached

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-19 23:43:41 UTC
From: wa6mhz_1
Topic: 194 Message: 204

At worst, the file could be sent as a TEXT file and that would be easily edited by any text editor. I had suggested WORD as I thought everyone had a copy. Here at work, where they are very cranky about "Licenses" we use an absolutely free to the world program called OPEN OFFICE which can read and write Word files. In fact, I just did such, took Ken's Dot DOC file and edited it with the info requested, and sent it back to Ken. So I urge everyone who doesn't have a Microsoft Office program or a funny copy of it to install the Open Office, which can be found at www.openoffice.org and you will be all set to work with all the office files (Word, Access Database, Excel Spreadsheet, Powerpoint files, etc.) Absolutely free, no strings or problems. All our computers here at work use this.

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, "Howard S. White" <drpaper@...> wrote:

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> Windows
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> 2. Go back to your vendor with your receipt in hand
> and ask them for the licenses and/or the backup and restore disks
>
> 3. Likely they will not have them but should be able
> to give you something that will do the trick
>
> 4. If not, there are cheap obsolete copies of MS Works
> online which should be sufficient.
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206. The Great Southern California Shake Out; November 12□16, 2008

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-21 05:00:43 UTC
From: Mark Williams
Topic: 206 Message: 206

Looks like fun.

http://www.shakeout.org/

The Great Southern California ShakeOut November 12?16, 2008 The Great Southern California ShakeOut is a week of special events featuring the largest earthquake drill in U.S. history, organized to inspire Southern Californians to get ready for big earthquakes, and to prevent disasters from becoming catastrophes.
These activities are based on the ShakeOut Scenario, a realistic portrayal of what will happen in a southern San Andreas earthquake.

207. San Diego Starfest and Special Palomar Observatory Tour - Aug 2-3, 2008

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-22 06:51:08 UTC
From: Julian Starfest
Topic: 207 Message: 207
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

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Emacs!

Fellow Amateurs,

Amateur Radio and Amateur Astronomy appeal to the same kind of
people, would you agree?

If you do, we hope you will join us in the beautiful San Diego County
mountains on Saturday or Sunday, August 2 or 3, 2008.

Please look here -->> http://www.JulianStarfest.com/

Special discount coupon here -->>
http://www.lakehodges.com/JSF-2008-AmateurRadio-50-EMKB604.pdf

Located just 35 miles east of the San Diego Wild Animal Park via Hwy
78 east, in the historic Gold Rush Mountain Community of Julian, CA.

Many of the major astronomy vendors will have special sales tents and
astronomy BARGAINS for everyone!

Also an ASTRONOMY SWAP MEET and presentations from special guest
speakers. Special TOUR of Palomar Observatory (Sunday).

Incredible DARK SKY observing on Friday and Saturday nights. Camp
sites are still available -->> bring your tent, van or motor home.

Register now -->> http://www.julianstarfest.com/starfestregistration.pdf

Monitor the ECRA Palomar Mountain repeater (147.030+ 103.5) during
the Starfest weekend.

73,

-- Kurt Barnhart, N6MD
Julian, CA
email: Julianstars <at> expresswire.com

208. SOBARS is Selling Surplus Donated Ham Gear

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-23 21:13:11 UTC
From: Mark Williams
Topic: 208 Message: 208
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

ANOTHER REALLY BIG SALE!

Saturday, July 26, 2008, 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon + ??, 377 East James Court, Chula Vista

SOBARS has possession of the collected treasures of the late Warren Dilley, KT6A, of Chula Vista. Warren generously
designated SOBARS to receive his ham gear when he passed away.

In turn, Ron Floyd, W6EKO, generously donated a large part of his garage floor to the cleaning, sorting and storage of
Warren's gear and we're holding the second round of sales this weekend. Think of it as having the Swap Meet come to you.

Saturday, July 26, 2008, 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon + ??, 377 East James Court, Chula Vista

Much of the major gear has the Technical Manuals, Instruction Sheets, etc. Even if we don't have a manual, it's probably
available on the Internet. Most are.

There is not a complete list of the gear, so please don't call and ask what we have. There was too much to inventory it all.

See the map, below and attached. The red pointer "A" shows that East James Court is off Nacion Avenue,
near where East J Street passes over I-805

Saturday, July 26, 2008, 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon + ??, 377 East James Court, Chula Vista

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209. Cal Fire Red Flag Patrol Training Class

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-26 21:36:42 UTC
From: Ron Patten
Topic: 209 Message: 209

Cal Fire Red Flag Patrol Training Class
Get training for fire weather patrols that that Ham radio operators do
in Fallbrook/De Luz, Rainbow, and East County.

August 16th, 9AM to 1PM in Fallbrook.

RSVP to N6FQ@fallbrookarc.org with Subject: Red Flag Patrol Training

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Ron Patten, KG6HSQ
Vice-President
Web Master/News Letter Editor
Fallbrook Amateur Radio Club
www.fallbrookarc.org
N6FQ@...

210. Ham Radio's Rejuvenation

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-07-31 05:06:01 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 210 Message: 210

http://electronicdesign.com/Articles/Index.cfm?AD=1&ArticleID=19467&bypass=1#

211. Implementing Ham radio's Rejuvenation

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-08-02 08:52:49 UTC
From: PATRICK MULLEN
Topic: 211 Message: 211

Good grief!

Tuite learned Morse on Army 78 rpm records. I must be getting old, because I can relate to this.

It never ceases to to amaze me to witness the positive accomplishments of those who work in HAM radio that Tuite describes. His earthquake scenario in the San Francisco Bay area should provide California HAMs and engineers/technologists with plenty of projects to complete in the near future. The biggest challenge is to create the framework to implement a disaster plan and provide competent leadership for what the situation requires.

On the other side of the coin, there are those who use technology in ways that can really screw things up. There is always that ten percent of the population who cannot seem to get anything right. Here is an article I found on a Spanish-language website that left me scratching my head (scroll down for the English translation). It makes one wonder what goes on in people's heads sometimes:

Investigan instalación de 41 antenas supuestamente
operadas por "narcos"

México, 29 jul (EFE).- La Fiscalía general de México investiga la
instalación de 41 antenas de comunicación en cuatro cerros del norteño estado de
Sinaloa, al parecer operadas por grupos del crimen organizado, informó hoy una
fuente oficial.

Las antenas, que ahora resguarda el Ejército mexicano, están instaladas en
los cerros del Venadillo, El Caracol, Lomas del Ébano, Nevería y en las
inmediaciones de un rancho, en el municipio de Mazatlán (Sinaloa), dijo un
comunicado del portavoz de la Operación Conjunta Culiacán Navolato, en el que
participan unos 4.000 soldados y agentes federales.

El Ministerio Público federal investiga "la posible comisión de los delitos
de ataques a las vías generales de comunicación", agregó la fuente.

Sinaloa, considerada cuna de los principales capos del narcotráfico, entre
ellos Joaquín "El Chapo" Guzmán y sus rivales, los hermanos Beltrán Leyva, es
escenario junto con Chihuahua de la ola de violencia que sacude al país y que ha
dejado más de 2.380 muertos en lo que va de este año.

La misma fuente dijo que las antenas fueron descubiertas después de una
denuncia anónima que señaló que "un grupo de narcotraficantes y sicarios del
crimen organizado que operan en la región utilizan diferentes medios de
comunicación electrónicos como radios, retransmisores, antenas repetidoras,
amplificadores y otros medios técnicos (...) con fines criminales".

Estos aparatos además han afectado seriamente el espectro radio eléctrico
en las frecuencias de las poblaciones aledañas, agregó.

Las autoridades dan un periodo de diez días para que los dueños de las antenas acrediten su propiedad, y en caso de no hacerlo serán desactivadas.

En mayo pasado las autoridades decomisaron otras 23 antenas de comunicación instaladas en un cerro de la ciudad de Culiacán, capital de Sinaloa.

(ongoing investigation of) 41 antenna installations
supposedly operated by narcotics organizations

México, 29 jul (EFE).- The Attorney General of Mexico is investigating the installation of 41 communications antennas on four hills in northern state of Sinaloa, apparently operated by organized crime groups, an official source said today.

The antennas, which which are now seized by the Mexican Army, are installed in the hills of Venadillo, Caracol, Lomas del Eban, Nevada, and in the vicinity of a ranch in the municipality of Mazatlan (Sinaloa), said a statement by the spokesman of the Culiacan Navolato joint operation, involving about 4,000 soldiers and federal agents.

The Federal Public Prosecutor's Office is investigating "the possible commission of criminal attacks using general communication channels," added the source.

Sinaloa, considered the cradle of major drug trafficking barons, including Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman and his rivals, the Beltran Leyva brothers, is the scene, with Chihuahua, of the wave of violence that shook the country and that has left over 2,380 dead so far this year.

The same source said that the antennas were discovered after an anonymous complaint which stated that "a group of hired killers and drug traffickers of organized crime operating in the region use various electronic media like radio, relays, repeater antennas, amplifiers and other technicial means (...) for criminal purposes. "

These devices also have seriously affected the electrical radio spectrum frequencies in the surrounding towns, he added. The authorities give a period of ten days for owners of the antennas to prove their ownership; (should they fail) to do so, (the antennas) will be deactivated.

Last May the authorities seized 23 other communication antennas installed on a hill in the city of Culiacán, the Capitol of Sinaloa.

OK, so what's the speed of dark?

212. 3 Small Fires - Lake Wohlford - Valley Center / Escondido

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-08-06 20:51:00 UTC
From: Lake Hodges Radio
Topic: 212 Message: 212
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

At 12:48 PM 8/6/2008, you wrote:
>San Diego, CA | Major Fire | MVU-Wohlford IC | 151.190 | Escondico |
>Brush Fire-Valley Center Dr & Lake Wohlford-Multiple Starts |

Looks like a non-event. Three small fires along the Lake Wolford
Road near Valley Center Road, NE of Escondido.

Tankers were there but didn't make any drops. Ground crews did all
the work. Quickly extinguished.

Chopper image below from San Diego CBS Affiliate...

Emacs!

213. Ham Radio Roundup?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-08-12 15:59:57 UTC
From: wa6mhz_1
Topic: 213 Message: 213

Proposed date was Aug 23rd which is under 2 weeks away, but haven't heard any more updates or finalization plans. Can we presume that date is canceled and it will be later in the year? Trying to keep my calendar current. Last discussion was on where to have it and no consensus could be made. Some like parks, some like malls, some like fields. My greatest concern is security for the equipment on display as there are alot of criminals out there looking to rip off stuff, even when we just turn our backs for a second. That's why I am against Balboa Park, which is just rampant with thieves. Malls have the great difficulty of erecting antennas, though ARCEC just got a new 100ft Tower Trailer that might be just the item for a pavement display. Talk to Paul about it. But it looks like we have run out of time for the 23rd and need to push it back into Sept, Oct or Nov. Need to look at the dates carefully as there are several conflicts that would limit attendance. Contests, Air Show, Octoberfests, Conventions; alot happening in the last quarter of the year and a date will be hard to pick. So looking forward to seeing what happens. The Roundup was always an exciting event.

214. Re: Ham Radio Roundup?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-08-13 03:24:44 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 213 Message: 214

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, "wa6mhz_1" <wa6mhz@...> wrote:
> Proposed date was Aug 23rd which is under 2 weeks away, but haven't
> heard any more updates or finalization plans. Can we presume that
> date is canceled and it will be later in the year?

Sat, Aug 23 is the date of the Get On The Air class in Escondido.

8am to Noon at Escondido City Hall, Broadway and Valley Parkway.

I'll send more details later.

-- Kurt, N6MD

215. Get On The Air Training -- Aug 23, 2008 Escondido City Hall

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-08-13 04:50:07 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 215 Message: 215
Attachments: 3 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Experienced Amateur Radio Operators Needed as Elmers
Please let us know if you can assist...

Please RSVP to -->> SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com

Emacs!

Emacs!

Who: Sponsored by San Diego ARES and Escondido CERT

What: Radio Communications Training Session for Newly Licensed
Amateur Radio Operators.
Learn how to use your new license, how to use various amateur radios,
what to say and when.
Also learn about emergency communications and disaster-oriented radio nets.

When: Saturday, August 23, 2008, 8am to Noon.

Where: Mitchell Classroom, West Side of Escondido City Hall
(West Valley Parkway and North Maple Street)
201 N. Broadway, Escondido, CA 92025

RSVP: Please RSVP to -->> SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com

Directions:
Take I-15 to Escondido, exit at West Valley Parkway and go EAST.
Transition slightly right onto West 2nd Avenue eastbound.
Pass Escondido Blvd, then make the next left onto S. Maple Street (northbound)
Proceed two blocks -- continue straight into the parking lot at City Hall.
The Mitchell Room is on the west side of the City Hall Complex.

Wide Area Map: http://www.lakehodges.com/Esco-Mitchell-001.jpg

Closeup Map: http://www.lakehodges.com/Esco-Mitchell-002.jpg

Google
Map:
http://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&hl=en&geocode=&q=201+N.+Broadway,+Escondido,+CA++92025+&sll=33.083768,-117.136984&sspn=0.112907,0.221786&ie=UTF8&z=17&iwloc=addr

The Mitchell Room is on the west side of the Escondido City Hall
Complex. (W. Valley Parkway and N. Maple Street)

Emacs!

216. Re: [SDGARES-2008] Ham Radio Roundup?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-08-13 14:55:47 UTC
From: Steve Early
Topic: 213 Message: 216

To the Group,
HAM Radio Round-up was tentatively scheduled for August 23rd.
A number of factors caused this event to be postponed until September.
1) In mid July, an OES representative to the Disaster Healthcare Council Announced that September was "Preparednes Month" and the OES would help to obtain Media Coverage for any "Emergency Preparedness" event in September.
2) A suitable venue had not been found by the date deemed necessary to support logistics. We are again approaching this date, but for September.
3) There are number of new HAMs in need of mentoring and assistance in getting on the air.

After discussions with the Chair and Vice Chair of SANDARC, it was decided to postpone HAM Radio Round-up to buy more time to find a venue and to take advantage of possible media coverage.

It also made sense to set August 23rd, which was now cleared, for myself, as the time to hold a Get On The Air Seminar.

To that end, I am looking for Mentors/Elmers to help with one-on-one or small groups, to program radios and to practice net particpation.

Steve Early, AD6VI
Section Manager

---- wa6mhz_1 <wa6mhz@...> wrote:

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219. Ike Tuesday 9/9 8pm Lauderdale Landfall?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-09-05 06:58:15 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 219 Message: 219
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

One of the forecasts is for landfall near Lauderdale at 8pm Tuesday.

Ike is gonna be a nasty one -- 155mph gusts. Cat 3 or 4 at landfall.

See below...

Emacs!

220. STOLEN MTX9250 AND FT-60R

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-09-08 13:10:46 UTC
From: PATRICK MULLEN
Topic: 220 Message: 220

John,

Can you provide details about the laptop?

We all pray for your speedy recovery.

Pat, KB6OXX/XE2
Tijuana, Baja California

From: PATRICK MULLEN <patrick_mullen@...>
Sent: Sunday, September 7, 2008 10:55:49 PM
Subject: STOLEN MTX9250 AND FT-60R

A "HAM" radio operator was recently viciously beaten and robbed in San Francisco, California.

On September Tuesday, 2, 2008, at approximately 5:45AM, John, WB6WQF, was walking to work on California Street between Stockton and Grant (next to the Ritz Carlton hotel). A description of the attack, the equipment stolen, and an Email from John follows:

"Someone came up from behind me and whacked me over the head with a large table leg, knocking me to the ground and leaving me bloody. The radios were in my briefcase, which was stolen, along with my laptop computer. The assailants robbed me and then drove off in a light colored compact sedan.

The MTX9250 was programmed with just about all of the Northern California open 900MHz repeaters, in about 10 zones. I also had some Connecticutt [sic] repeaters programmed in one zone. The repeater
locations show up on the display (e.g., Black Mtn., Vacaville, Willits, Concord, etc.). It's not easy to program these radios and it's pretty easy to identify my programming.

The FT-60R was programmed with about 900 repeaters. Bank 1 has all of the 99 or so AAR railroad frequencies. Bank 2 has a number of local Norcal repeaters, mostly SFARC, Marin ARC, Diablo, and
Winsystem. Bank 3 has all of the Winsystem repeaters. Other banks have various Norcal repeaters, one bank has Connecticut VHF repeaters, and another bank has Connecticut UHF repeaters. Also
should be easy to spot.

I am recovering from my injuries, and I'm lucky to be alive. I would really like to get these guys, and perhaps we can do it if the stolen radios show up."

It has been suggested that the Ebay website may be monitored in case these items show up for auction.

From: jpoesq <jpoesq@...>
Sent: Sunday, September 7, 2008 11:54:42 AM
Subject: STOLEN MTX9250 AND FT-60R

On Tuesday, 9/2, I was the victim of armed robbery and had my two HT's stolen. One was a Motorola MTX9250, serial number 921TDJ1024 and the other was a Yaesu FT-60R, serial number 6L441005.

Please keep an eye open for these HT's, particularly the MTX9250 since
it is not a common radio.

Thanks everyone.

John WB6WQF

Should you encounter these items, or learn of the perpetrators, please contact John.

221. Silent Key equipment for sale

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-09-08 23:52:00 UTC
From: Craig WIlliams
Topic: 221 Message: 221
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

From: <craig@...>

Dear Hams,

Attached is a list of equipment available from the daughter of an SK in Campo. I will bring the 220 radio to the RACES meeting tonight. Let me know if you are interested in anything and I will bring it. All proceeds go to the daughter.

Craig Williams W6CAW
Cell 619-806-4146
Public Affairs Officer, Campo Fire and Rescue
www.campofire.org

craig@...
www.craigwilliams.com

Silent Key Equipment for Sale

9/8/08

I have the following equipment from the daughter of a SK in Campo. If you see something you like call or email me and make an offer. All proceeds go to the daughter so reasonable offers please.

220 Radio, Kenwood TM-321A. Cleaned and tested OK. (hi/lo power sw needs cleaning.)
HF, 75M th 10M, Icom IC-730 w/ matching 110v power supply. Cleaned and tested OK.

HF Tuners
WAN Z CQ.ER Match. Old "classic" for the collector person.
MFJ 941D, early model with meter where you switch a sw for fwd and rev readings
MFJ 941D, later model with cross needle meter.

SWR/Power meters
HF 3.5 to 30 Mhz, Palomar PW-3000, 3 separate meters.
CB, Midland 23-138

Power Supplies
Astron RS20A
Astron RS12A
Radio Shack 22-124, fixed 12V, 2.5 amps.

Mattco Frequency counter, Model 711 (probably goes to 30 Mhz)

Linears
Mirage B108, 2 meter, 5W in 80+ W out.
"10 Meter" Westcom Eng., TXL-60
"10 Meter" Messenger 2V

222. Re: STOLEN MTX9250 AND FT-60R (UPDATE)

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-09-13 18:51:34 UTC
From: Patrick Mullen
Topic: 220 Message: 222

Up-to-date details about the stolen radios and the computer, as well as amplifying information regarding the <http://www.genesisworld.com/stolen.asp <http://www.genesisworld.com/stolen.asp> > and law enforcement databases appears below. There exists an urgency to find these radios because:

* The beating of John, WB6WQF, was exceptionally vicious, and very easily could have resulted in his death. It apparently was the work of a group of criminals in San Francisco who actively search for an opportunity to commit this type of mayhem. John has informed us that on the previous day a woman was severely injured and robbed in the same manner in a nearby location by yet unknown assailants. I do not know the specifics of her injuries, but according to John they are serious. As long as this group is at large, there is an immediate public safety issue in the San Francisco area.
* Finding the radios or the computer may provide a key to determine the identity of the assailants. My hope is that there are those amongst us who can help accomplish this in some way before someone else is attacked.

Beating and Robbery in San Francisco

A "HAM" radio operator was recently viciously beaten and robbed in San Francisco, California.

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"Someone came up from behind me and whacked me over the head with a large table leg, knocking me to the ground and leaving me bloody. The radios were in my briefcase, which was stolen, along with my laptop computer. The assailants robbed me and then drove off in a light colored compact sedan.

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The FT-60R was programmed with about 900 repeaters. Bank 1 has all of the 99 or so AAR railroad frequencies. Bank 2 has a number of local Norcal repeaters, mostly SFARC, Marin ARC, Diablo, and Winsystem. Bank 3

has all of the Winsystem repeaters. Other banks have various Norcal repeaters, one bank has Connecticut VHF repeaters, and another bank has Connecticut UHF repeaters. Also should be easy to spot.

I am recovering from my injuries, and I'm lucky to be alive. I would really like to get these guys, and perhaps we can do it if the stolen radios show up."

Nomenclature of stolen radios (both are Handy-Talkies, see pictures below) - nomenclature and description of laptop computer:

* Motorola MTX9250, serial number 921TDJ1024 (Easy to spot, not a common radio)
* Yaesu FT-60R, serial number 6L441005.
* The laptop is a Thinkpad X60s, model 1704-4JU, serial number LVA3837. It's a 12.1" lightweight portable, with a 60GB hard drive, and 1.5GB of RAM, no optical drive. There is a power-on password and a hard drive password, so it boots with a black screen and a padlock symbol prompt in the upper left corner.

*It has been suggested that the "Ebay" and "Craigslist" websites be monitored in case these items show up for auction.

If you have any information regarding the perpetrators or the equipment, please email John:

"jpoesq at sbcglobal dot net"

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Information regarding the <http://www.genesisworld.com/stolen.asp <http://www.genesisworld.com/stolen.asp> > stolen radios website, as well as the law enforcement database, was received from Frank M.:

"Bummer on the stolen gear, but that database you gave us is no good. All the gear on it is commercial, 99% Motorola.

A database of stolen consumer electronics does exist, and the Sheriff of any county can access it. Any time I acquire a radio, through ANY means, I check with my county Sheriff. I once purchased a "new" radio from one of the major dealers and ran it past my county Sheriff. Turned up stolen! We confronted the dealer who admitted that they were drawn in by a "deal" for then-new HF rigs, from an "alternative" source. To avoid prosecution, they turned in the "alternative" source. I got my purchase price back...ended up paying $75 more for the same model from someone else...this time it did pass the check.

Things are better now than they have been in the past. From the late 1970s to the late 1980s, as the repeater revolution exploded, and hams (particularly in larger eastern cities) were Jonesin' to catch the wave, it was common for a repair depot for police/fire or other

two-way gear to "lose" a handheld. At one time, it was estimated that 50% of the Motorola HT-220 radios in the hands of hams were "hot". That's what started this whole wave of having a database for stolen electronics.

I took delivery, just two weeks ago, of a radio. It was given to me...story was that my buddy had been given the radio five years earlier, by a buddy, who'd been given the radio by a buddy...about five "buddies" back, someone theoretically purchased it brand new, but never got licensed, and "just gave it away" to someone who'd actually put it on the air. I took delivery of the rig, told my buddy I'd find a home for it, and called my county Sheriff. Yep, it was on the stolen gear list...but it had been reported a long time ago, something like 12 years. A detective in the dept contacted the police dept who'd originally reported it, who contacted the person who reported it, who said they were no longer interested, donate it to a good cause. The Sheriff told me that I could keep it, since the original owner now declared it "not stolen".

I put it on the bench; it needed an alignment and cleaning. I did that, then gave it to the lead instructor for our ham classes, who will use it as a "floating loaner" radio for newly-minted licensees."

73,

Pat,
KB6OXX/XE2

223. DELTA V SATERN NET - HURRICANE IKE EMERGENCY NET 14.265MHz

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-09-13 08:15:16 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 223 Message: 223

From: tomcarmody@... [mailto:tomcarmody@...]
Sent: Saturday, September 13, 2008 12:22 AM
Subject: DELTA V SATERN NET
Importance: High

All Hands:

Major Pat McPherson WW9E, the National Director of SATERN, has declared that effective 1200Z (0800 am EDT) September 12, 2008, SATERN will be at DELTA V. That is Catastrophic Response - All available hands, all resources on 14.265 MHZ in support of the emergency network. This emergency level is in response to Hurricane Ike's landfall in Texas. Please check the SATERN webpage at www.satern.org to keep abreast of the response levels. The level will be placed on the top of the webpage. If the level should change during the course of the Network operation, the Net Control Operator will announce the level.

If you are able, please monitor 14.265 MHZ as much as you can during the upcoming days that we are at DELTA V, in case we are needed to relay any messages for those who are working in the disaster areas. Thank you. 73 and God Bless
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Tom Carmody, KJ6TDC
SATERN Coordinator of San Diego County
(Salvation Army Team Emergency
Radio Network)
Phone: 760-789-4883
E-mail: tomcarmody@...
www.satern.org
www.sandiego.salvationarmy.org

224. Re: STOLEN MTX9250 AND FT-60R

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-09-09 19:20:27 UTC
From: Patrick Mullen
Topic: 220 Message: 224

I did find some happy information regarding stolen radios. A fellow named Gene Sensanbaugher sent me a URL for a software outfit that is operating a stolen radios data base. Technology is truly wonderful! It is at: <http://www.genesisworld.com/stolen.asp <http://www.genesisworld.com/stolen.asp> >. Other suggestions included checking Craigslist and Ebay.

I have blogged pictures of these rigs at URL: <http://california_now.blogspot.com/search/label/STOLEN%20ITEMS <http://california_now.blogspot.com/search/label/STOLEN%20ITEMS> > in the hope that this will make it easier for someone to recognize them if they see them.

--- In SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com, PATRICK MULLEN <patrick_mullen@...> wrote:
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> John,
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> Can you provide details about the laptop?
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> We all pray for your speedy recovery.
>
> Pat, KB6OXX/XE2
> Tijuana, Baja California
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> From: PATRICK MULLEN patrick_mullen@...
> Sent: Sunday, September 7, 2008 10:55:49 PM
> Subject: STOLEN MTX9250 AND FT-60R
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> From: jpoesq jpoesq@...
> Sent: Sunday, September 7, 2008 11:54:42 AM
> Subject: STOLEN MTX9250 AND FT-60R
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> On Tuesday, 9/2, I was the victim of armed robbery and had my two HT's stolen. One was a Motorola MTX9250, serial number 921TDJ1024 and the other was a Yaesu FT-60R, serial number 6L441005.
>
> Please keep an eye open for these HT's, particularly the MTX9250 since
> it is not a common radio.
>
> Thanks everyone.
>
> John WB6WQF
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> Should you encounter these items, or learn of the perpetrators, please contact John.
>

225. Re: [sddxcnews] Ham Class-entry level - If you know anyone who wants to become a Ham in a Day...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-10-13 05:48:56 UTC
From: pushed66705@mypacks.net
Topic: 225 Message: 225

will there be any more one day classes? I know someone who may want to attend.

-----Original Message-----
>From: "Howard S. White" <drpaper@kleega.com>
>Sent: Oct 12, 2008 9:57 PM
>To: Victoria elliott <velliott5@earthlink.net>, CEROinc@yahoogroups.com, sddxcnews@yahoogroups.com, SDDisasterDefense@yahoogroups.com, SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [sddxcnews] Ham Class-entry level - If you know anyone who wants to become a Ham in a Day...
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>respond to Stacy if interested.
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>President, Valley Center CERT
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> ----- Original Message -----
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> From: stmagoffin@juno.com
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> To: clark.hendrickson@...
>
> Cc: stmagoffin@...
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> Sent: 10/12/2008 6:36:03 PM
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> Subject: Ham Class-entry level
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> Ham Radio Class-Technician level (beginners level)
>
> October 18, 2008
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> St. Mark's United Methodist Church
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> The schedule will go as follows:
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226. Fire Weather forecast

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-10-12 19:22:45 UTC
From: James Courter
Topic: 226 Message: 226

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Red Flag Warning/Fire Weather Watch Information
FNUS56 KSGX 120941
FWFSGX

FIRE WEATHER PLANNING FORECAST FOR EXTREME SOUTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE SAN DIEGO CA
330 AM PDT SUN OCT 12 2008

...DRY OFFSHORE SANTA ANA WINDS AND CRITICAL FIRE WEATHER CONDITIONS
AT TIMES THROUGH TUESDAY...

.DISCUSSION...
PERIODS OF MODERATE TO LOCALLY STRONG SANTA ANA WINDS AT TIMES
THROUGH TUESDAY WITH THE MOST WIDESPREAD CRITICAL FIRE WEATHER
CONDITIONS MONDAY MORNING THROUGH TUESDAY AFTERNOON. WARM AND DRY
BUT WITH WEAKER WINDS FOR MIDWEEK. WEAK ONSHORE FLOW WILL BRING
COOLING AND HIGHER HUMIDITIES BY NEXT WEEKEND.

CAZ
SAN DIEGO COUNTY INLAND VALLEYS-
330 AM PDT SUN OCT 12 2008

...RED FLAG WARNING IN EFFECT FROM 6 AM MONDAY TO 6 PM PDT TUESDAY
FOR RELATIVE HUMIDITIES BELOW 15 PERCENT AND WIND GUSTS GREATER THAN
35 MPH...

.TODAY...
SKY/WEATHER.........SUNNY.
MAX TEMPERATURE.....75 TO 80 IN THE WESTERN VALLEYS TO 71 TO 76
NEAR THE FOOTHILLS.
MIN HUMIDITY........10 TO 15 PERCENT.
WIND (20 FT)........WINDS EAST 15 MPH AND GUSTY.
LAL.................1.

.TONIGHT...
SKY/WEATHER.........CLEAR.
MIN TEMPERATURE.....36 TO 46.
MAX HUMIDITY........20 TO 30 PERCENT.
WIND (20 FT)........WINDS NORTHEAST 10 MPH. GUSTS TO 35 MPH NEAR THE
FOOTHILLS.
LAL.................1.

.MONDAY...
SKY/WEATHER.........SUNNY. PATCHY BLOWING DUST IN THE AFTERNOON.
MAX TEMPERATURE.....79 TO 84 IN THE WESTERN VALLEYS TO 74 TO 79
NEAR THE FOOTHILLS.
MIN HUMIDITY........10 PERCENT.
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WIND (20 FT).....WINDS NORTHEAST 15 MPH. GUSTS TO 40 MPH NEAR THE FOOTHILLS.
LAL.....1.

FORECAST DAYS 3 THROUGH 7...
SUSTAINED WINDS LESS THAN 20 MPH EXCEPT WHEN SPECIFIED

.TUESDAY...CLEAR. LOWS 47 TO 57. HIGHS 82 TO 87. WINDS NORTHEAST 20 MPH WITH GUSTS TO 40 MPH NEAR THE FOOTHILLS.
.WEDNESDAY...MOSTLY CLEAR. LOWS 49 TO 59. HIGHS 88 TO 93.
.THURSDAY...MOSTLY CLEAR. LOWS 49 TO 59. HIGHS 88 TO 93.
.FRIDAY...MOSTLY CLEAR. LOWS 49 TO 59. HIGHS 85 TO 90.
.SATURDAY...PARTLY CLOUDY. PATCHY FOG. LOWS 50 TO 59. HIGHS 81 TO 86.

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CAZ248-122130-
SAN BERNARDINO AND RIVERSIDE COUNTY VALLEYS-THE INLAND EMPIRE-
330 AM PDT SUN OCT 12 2008

...RED FLAG WARNING IN EFFECT FROM 10 AM THIS MORNING TO 6 PM PDT TUESDAY FOR RELATIVE HUMIDITIES BELOW 15 PERCENT AND WIND GUSTS GREATER THAN 35 MPH...

.TODAY...
SKY/WEATHER.....SUNNY. AREAS OF BLOWING DUST IN THE AFTERNOON.
MAX TEMPERATURE.....70 TO 80.
MIN HUMIDITY.....10 PERCENT.
WIND (20 FT).....WINDS NORTH 15 MPH TO 25 MPH. GUSTS TO 50 MPH BELOW CAJON PASS.
LAL.....1.

.TONIGHT...
SKY/WEATHER.....CLEAR. AREAS OF BLOWING DUST.
MIN TEMPERATURE.....32 TO 42.
MAX HUMIDITY.....30 TO 40 PERCENT.
WIND (20 FT).....WINDS NORTH 15 TO 25 MPH. GUSTS TO 45 MPH BELOW CAJON...INCREASING TO 60 MPH AFTER MIDNIGHT.
LAL.....1.

.MONDAY...
SKY/WEATHER.....SUNNY. AREAS OF BLOWING DUST.
MAX TEMPERATURE.....72 TO 82.
MIN HUMIDITY.....10 PERCENT.
WIND (20 FT).....WINDS NORTH 15 TO 25 MPH WITH GUSTS TO 55 MPH.
LAL.....1.

FORECAST DAYS 3 THROUGH 7...
SUSTAINED WINDS LESS THAN 20 MPH EXCEPT WHEN SPECIFIED

.TUESDAY...CLEAR. AREAS OF BLOWING DUST. LOWS 45 TO 55. HIGHS 79 TO 88. WINDS NORTHEAST 20 TO 30 MPH WITH GUSTS TO 50 MPH.

.WEDNESDAY...MOSTLY CLEAR. LOWS 48 TO 58. HIGHS 87 TO 92.
.THURSDAY...MOSTLY CLEAR. LOWS 49 TO 59. HIGHS 87 TO 92.
.FRIDAY...MOSTLY CLEAR. LOWS 50 TO 57. HIGHS 84 TO 89.
.SATURDAY...MOSTLY CLEAR. LOWS 50 TO 58. HIGHS 80 TO 85.

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Jim Courter K6MHY
President Valley Center CERT
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227. Ham Class-entry level - If you know anyone who wants to become a Ham in a Day...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-10-13 04:57:19 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 227 Message: 227

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From: stmagoffin@...

To: clark.hendrickson@...

Cc: stmagoffin@...

Sent: 10/12/2008 6:36:03 PM

Subject: Ham Class-entry level

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Ham Radio Class-Technician level (beginners level)

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228. FW: More Instant Ham Classes with Exams - October 18, 2008

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-10-14 02:35:48 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 228 Message: 228

Howard---
Wow! I'm doing the same thing at the Scripps Ranch library on the same day! My VE team is already in place and I have room for 4 more people. You can pass that along if you like. Class is $5 for materials and another $5 for the VE team.
--Peter, W2PWS
srcert@...

SDDisasterDefense@yahoogroups.com wrote:

SD BioTerrorism Disaster Defense Council
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDDisasterDefense;_ylc=X3oDMTJlNmMxcmNnBF
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Posted by: "Howard S. White" drpaper@...
<mailto:drpaper@kleega.com?Subject=%20Re%3AHam%20Class-entry%20level%20%
20-%20If%20you%20know%20anyone%20who%20wants%20to%20become%20a%20Ha>
drpaper <http://profiles.yahoo.com/drpaper>

Sun Oct 12, 2008 9:59 pm (PDT)

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229. Re: [sddxcnews] Ham Class-entry level - If you know anyone who wants to become a Ham in a Day...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-10-14 17:26:47 UTC
From: David Elliott
Topic: 225 Message: 229

Do I understand this correctly? Is it possible for someone who knows nothing about radio to walk in and get an amateur radio license in one day? Have they added a new entrance class?
73 de W6BK

230. Re: [SDGARES-2008] FW: More Instant Ham Classes with Exams - October 18, 2008

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-10-20 20:37:39 UTC
From: Nan Barker
Topic: 228 Message: 230

Is anyone running one of these classes again here in the near future?

Nan B

(858) 531-1005
Please visit my website@
http://basketsbynan.googlepages.com/home

From: Howard S. White <drpaper@...>
To: SDGARES-2008@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, October 13, 2008 7:35:48 PM
Subject: [SDGARES-2008] FW: More Instant Ham Classes with Exams - October 18, 2008

Howard---
Wow! I'm doing the same thing at the Scripps Ranch library on the same day! My VE team is already in place and I have room for 4 more people. You can pass that along if you like.
Class is $5 for materials and another $5 for the VE team.
--Peter, W2PWS
srcert@gmail. com

SDDisasterDefense@ yahoogroups. com wrote:
SD BioTerrorism Disaster Defense Council
Messages In This Digest (1 Message)
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Ham Class-entry level - If you know anyone who wants to become a Ha
Posted by: "Howard S. White" drpaper@kleega. com drpaper
Sun Oct 12, 2008 9:59 pm (PDT)
Here is an opportunity to become a ham radio operator in one day! Please
respond to Stacy if interested.

Jim Courter

President, Valley Center CERT

Vice President, Greater Valley Center Fire Safe Council

Regional Coordinator, SW California SKYWARN

(760) 715-7523 Cell phone

----- Original Message -----

From: stmagoffin@juno. com

To: clark.hendrickson@ cox.net

Cc: stmagoffin@juno. com

Sent: 10/12/2008 6:36:03 PM

Subject: Ham Class-entry level

I know this is late notice but we several openings in this class
and would love to fill it up! Please pass this on to anyone that you
think would be interested!

Ham Radio Class-Technician level (beginners level)

October 18, 2008

St. Mark's United Methodist Church

3502 Clairemont Drive , San Diego

It is easy to reach from the Northbound and Southbound 5
Freeway, just one mile up from Mission Bay .

The schedule will go as follows:

Class Starts at 8:00 AM , goes to 5:00 PM .

There will be about a 10 minute break every hour.

Lunch from 12:00 PM to 1 PM (1 hour)

Exam, if available, with be from 5:00 PM to about 7:30. Exam
cost is $14 per person.

Please RSVP to Stacy Magoffin at stmagoffin@juno. com so we make
sure we have enough materials for the class. Thank you and hope lots of
you will take advantage of this opportunity!

Stacy Magoffin
LDS Public Affairs Emergency Specialist El Cajon Stake
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231. New Call sign

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-11-07 17:33:28 UTC
From: Tuck Miller W3TM
Topic: 231 Message: 231

I have a new call sign!! It is now W3TM!!

I will also have a new e-mail address next week, and will send another notice. Thanks.

I apologize if you get more than 1 notice!!

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Tuck Miller W3TM
Past ARRL Southwestern Division Vice Director
Ham Radio, not just a hobby, but a SERVICE!!
Read Tuck's Official Ham Blog (changes often):
http://journals.aol.com/mrtuckmiller/tucks-thoughts/

232. Comments from Bill Pasternack WA6ITF - re: - City of San Diego Tries to Ban Ham Radio Again...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-11-19 20:14:58 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 232 Message: 232

Comments from Bill Pasternack WA6ITF - Clearly the new regulations violate the intention of 2003 AB1228

The City of San Diego is setting itself up to lose another expensive lawsuit.

From: Mike Morris WA6ILQ [mailto:wa6ilq@...]
Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2008 9:41 PM

Subject: Fwd: Re: Fw: Request for Comments on Draft Amateur Radio Communication Amendments - City of San Diego Tries to Ban Ham Radio Again...

KB6OXX sent me the message below, which I forwarded
to Bill Pasternak WA6ITF or NewsLine. His reply is below.

I would suggest that somebody dig up a copy of the law
that 2003AB1228 became and hand deliver a copy to the folks
in San Diego .

Here is its:
>65850.3. Any ordinance adopted by the legislative body of a city or
>county that regulates amateur radio station antenna structures shall
>allow those structures to be erected at heights and dimensions
>sufficient to accommodate amateur radio service communications, shall
>not preclude amateur radio service communications, shall reasonably
>accommodate amateur radio service communications, and shall
>constitute the minimum practicable regulation to accomplish the city's
>or county's legitimate purpose.
>
>It is the intent of the Legislature in adding this section to the
>Government Code, to codify in state law the provisions of Section
>97.15 of Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations, which expresses
>the Federal Communications Commission's limited preemption of local
>regulations governing amateur radio station facilities.

From: newsline@...
To: Mike Morris WA6ILQ <wa6ilq@...>
Subject: Re: Fw: Request for Comments on Draft Amateur Radio Communication
Amendments - City of San Diego Tries to Ban Ham Radio Again...
Cc: bmcgarrigle@...

Mike,

See below. Everyone seems t have forgotten that California has a "PRB-1 like law "tha protects hams from over-burdonsome regulation and restrictions. Its been on the books since 2003. Someone needs to point this out to the city of San Diego .

de
Bill P.

California Governor Signs Amateur Antenna Bill

NEWINGTON, CT, Jul 15, 2003--Efforts over the past couple of weeks by proponents of California's Amateur Radio antenna bill apparently paid off when Gov Gray Davis signed Assembly Bill 1228 July 14. The measure, which cleared both houses of the legislature with unanimous votes, will incorporate the essence of the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 <http://www2.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/local/prb-1.html> into California law.

"Amateur Radio's message got through 'the pileup' in Sacramento ," said ARRL Southwestern Division Director Art Goddard, W6XD. "Thanks to all the hams in California who wrote cards, letters and e-mails urging their representatives and their governor to pass this legislation,"

In a statement, Davis cited the "thousands of hours of volunteer service" Amateur Radio operators donate in support of state and local government. "They are an important part of our public safety network," the governor said.

Davis said ham radio volunteers "play a crucial role" in times of disasters or emergencies. "By providing a reliable communication system during an emergency situation, such as a terrorist attack, Amateur Radio stations provide an invaluable service to the state of California ," Davis added.

AB 1228 was sponsored by freshman Assembly member Bob Dutton (R-Rancho Cucamonga). Mike Mitchell, W6RW, spearheaded the Amateur Radio community's efforts to promote the bill--the first piece of legislation Dutton sponsored to pass the legislature and get the governor's signature.

"Great news that Governor Davis signed AB 1228!" Mitchell said. "Congratulations to the hams of California !"

Goddard expressed similar elation upon learning that Davis had signed the bill. "This bill will give hams in California a fighting chance to have reasonable antennas," Goddard said. "Kudos to Assemblyman Bob Dutton and his staff for shepherding this bill through the Local Government Committees and the floors of both houses of the California legislature without a single dissenting vote."

Goddard said California 's Amateur Radio community also owes its appreciation to Mitchell for being "our sparkplug" on the bill. He also cited ARRL staffer Dean Straw, N6BV, and Pacific Director Bob Vallio, W6RGG, for representing the bill's proponents during public hearings.

The measure won approval of the California Assembly April 10 on a 67-0 vote and passed the state Senate June 25 on a 38-0 vote. On June 30, the California Assembly, on a 77-0 vote, concurred with changes in language that the Senate had made in the legislation.

The bill went to Davis for his signature on July 3, and Goddard and Vallio promptly mounted a campaign to have amateurs contact Davis and urge him to sign AB 1228. Davis had vetoed a similar bill in 2000, in part citing the cost for studies the legislature had required in conjunction with the measure. The 2003 bill contained no such provisions. Davis is also now facing the strong possibility of a recall election.

AB 1228 incorporates the language of PRB-1 into the statutes of California . It would require any ordinance regulating Amateur Radio antenna structures not to preclude but to "reasonably accommodate" Amateur Radio communications, to allow amateur station antenna structures "at heights and dimensions sufficient to accommodate Amateur Radio Service communications" and to constitute "the minimum practicable regulation to accomplish the legitimate purpose of the city or county."

The most ham-populated state in the US , California becomes the 20th state to adopt PRB-1 legislation. The state is home to some 100,000 amateur licensees--almost 15 percent of the US total.

A copy of the measure is available on the California Legislature Web site.

-----Original Message-----

From: Mike Morris WA6ILQ

Sent: Nov 18, 2008 7:53 PM

To: Bill Pasternak WA6ITF

Subject: Fw: Request for Comments on Draft Amateur Radio Communication Amendments - City of San Diego Tries to Ban Ham Radio Again...

Date: Tue, 18 Nov 2008 17:58:18 -0800 (PST)

Subject: Fw: Request for Comments on Draft Amateur Radio Communication Amendments - City of San Diego Tries to Ban Ham Radio Again...

The City of San Diego , which is currently suffering through a severe financial crisis, seems have time and money to spend on new restrictive regulations against Amateur Radio.

In a nutshell, new antennas will require

1. an expensive Â"Process Three Site Development PermitÂ"

2. Be installed on an expensive retractable tower and retracted when not in use.

3. Located in the least visible location on the site from adjacent public rights of-way and adjacent properties,

4. Reasonably screened from adjacent public rights-of-way and adjacent properties.

5. Be removed if not used for 2 years.

If these new regulations are enacted, you can be sure that it will become extremely expensive and almost impossible to install a new antenna in San Diego .

There is also a good chance that they might retroactively attack existing antennas on the location, screening and retraction issuesÂ...

These new restrictive regulations are NOT Needed.

The current regulations work and do not need modifications.

According to the City, they only get one or two new tower requests every yearÂ...

So why are they spending all this time and money on hearings for new restrictions?

Please respond to the City with your written comments to the address below

We need hundreds of comments to stop this from happening.

Please send this to every ham you know and get as many comments against it as possible on the record.

We can beat City HallÂ... but we are going to need to show them that that hundreds of us who care enough to comment against it.

Howard S. White Ph.D. P. Eng. , VE3GFW/K6 ex-AE6SM KY6LA

Website: www.ky6la.com <http://www.ky6la.com/>

"No Good Deed Goes Unpunished"

"Ham Antennas Save Lives - Katrina, 2003 & 2007 San Diego Fires, 911"

From: Lee, Amanda On Behalf Of DSD LDC Team

Sent: Tuesday, November 18, 2008 2:06 PM

To: DSD LDC Team

Subject: Request for Comments on Draft Amateur Radio Communication Amendments

Your input is requested on draft amendments to the Land Development Code related to Amateur Radio Communication. Draft code language and processing information are available at the following link:

http://www.sandiego.gov/development-services/industry/amateuradio.shtml

Comments should be titled Â"Draft Amateur Radio Communication AmendmentsÂ" and submitted to dsdldc@... <mailto:dsdldc@...> no later than January 2, 2009 . Additional opportunities for public participation will follow this public review and comment period, including Planning Commission and City Council public hearings.

This email-blast was distributed to the list of interested persons in planning issues maintained by the City Planning and Community Investment Department (CPCI). If you would like to be removed from this list, please contact Brian McGarrigle, CPCI at bmcgarrigle@... <mailto:bmcgarrigle@...>

233. Happy Happy

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-11-27 19:08:00 UTC
From: Steve Jensen
Topic: 233 Message: 233
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Happy Thanksgiving to all.
From the Biggest Turkey You know, to you and yours.

Steven Jensen
760-685-5065

234. EXTREME Emergency Preparedness

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-12-03 20:30:21 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 234 Message: 234

Below is a thread of three (3) messages from another discussion group.

Sorry, this is very long, but definitely worth a scan...

Bio Attack Likely in Next 5 Years

WASHINGTON (AP) A bipartisan commission is asserting the country should expect a terrorist attack using nuclear or biological weapons sometime in the next five years.

The report, which is scheduled to be publicly released on Wednesday, suggests that the incoming administration of President-elect Barack Obama should improve the capability of the United States to counter such an attack and to prepare if necessary for germ warfare.

The report was written by the Commission on the Prevention of WMD Proliferation and Terrorism. Among other things, it concluded: "Our margin of safety is shrinking, not growing."

The commission also is encouraging the new White House to appoint a National Security Council official to exclusively coordinate U.S. intelligence and foreign policy on combating the spread of nuclear and biological weapons.

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"Can anyone cite links or sources that explain how the average, honest American citizen can prepare his/her family for the eventuality described above?

How should we react if this happens?"

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From: Gregory T Banner, MS, CEM
Regional Emergency Coordinator, Region I (New England)
US Department of Health and Human Services

Not to make light of the possibility or the seriousness of the subject, but I'll pass on a quote which I copied at the height of the Anthrax "white powder" days following 9-11. I was personally dealing with numerous phone calls from a panicked public ... "what kind of gas mask should I buy." Etc...

At a conference, Dr. Kristi Koenig from the US Veteran's Administration was asked "What should a member of the general public do to protect themselves from the threat of anthrax?

Her response was "Wear your seat belt, stop smoking and eat properly."

Hopefully the point and message are clear.

There is a whole world of average, mundane, day-to-day public health issues which provide far more "bang for the buck" in terms of individual health and longevity, if people will just focus on those issues as a priority.

Nevertheless, all-hazard emergency preparedness does have its place and all societies are better off if their populous does prepare and add certain rational preparedness activities to their lives. Here are a few links:

American Red Cross Disaster Guide
http://www.redcross.org/disaster/safety/guide.html

Anthrax Training Program (for the public), South Carolina Department of Health http://teamxtend.com/anthraxprevention/index.htm

"Are You Ready: A Guide to Citizen Preparedness", FEMA, Sept 2002
http://www.fema.gov/areyouready/

Are You Prepared. San Francisco Preparedness site
http://www.72hours.org/

Australian Government Preparation Guidance
http://nationalsecurity.ag.gov.au/www/rwpattach.nsf/viewasattachmentPersonal/4CF56D120B9E6497CA256CC100797443/$file/ntlbooklet.pdf

Bioterror Web Site, Linked to Television NOVA series, misc. resources
http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/bioterror/

Bioterrorism Disease Primer, USA Today
http://www.usatoday.com/graphics/news/gra/gbioterror/frame.htm

Chemical Emergencies, American Red Cross Family Information Brochure
http://www.redcross.org/services/disaster/keepsafe/readychemical.html

Citizens Corps, FEMA (volunteer efforts)
www.citizencorps.gov <http://www.citizencorps.gov/>

The Community Preparedness Website Project, Multiple Resources
http://www.preparenow.org/

Crisis Checklist (for individuals), Organizing Made Simple (commercial firm)
http://www.organizingmadesimple.com/download/crisis-checklist-locked.pdf

Emergency Planning for Your Family: The Five-Step Guide. Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Canada. (PSEPC)
http://www.emergencypreparednessweek.ca/index_e.asp

Emergency Preparedness Guides (for general population - multi-lingual), City of Denver
http://www.denvergov.org/jump_emergency.asp

Emergency Preparedness: Guidance and General Preparation. Department of Justice. Feb 2003.
http://www.usdoj.gov/jmd/ps/dojepm.htm

Emergency Survival Program, Los Angeles County
http://www.espfocus.org/

A Federal Employee's Emergency Guide, US Office of Personnel Management
http://www.opm.gov/emergency/PDF/EmployeesGuide.pdf

A Federal Employee's Family Preparedness Guide, US Office of Personnel Management
http://www.opm.gov/emergency/PDF/NationalFamilyGuide.pdf

Frequently Asked Questions (Public), Center for Civilian Biodefense Studies, Johns Hopkins
http://www.hopkins-biodefense.org/faq.html

Home Guides for Emergency Preparedness, Arlington County, VA, Multi-lingual.
http://www.co.arlington.va.us/emergency/

Homeowner emergency preparedness guide. Homeownership alliance & DHS
http://www.homeownershipalliance.com/documents/emergency_final.pdf

Individual Preparedness Guide. "Are You Ready: Guidelines for Navy Family Emergency Preparedness" Naval Services Family Line. January 2008
http://www.lifelines.navy.mil/idc/groups/public/documents/image/areyouready0308.pdf

"Individual Preparedness Response to Chemical, Radiological, Nuclear, and Biological Terrorist Attacks." The Rand Corporation. 2003.
http://www.rand.org/publications/MR/MR1731/

Quick Guide
http://www.rand.org/publications/MR/MR1731.1/MR1731.1.pdf

What You Should Do to Prepare for and Respond to Chemical, Radiological, Nuclear, and Biological Terrorist Attacks. Pocket Edition Survival Guide. RAND Corporation. 2004.
http://www.rand.org/publications/MR/MR1731.2/

Personal Protection and Chemical or Biological Terrorism, Frequently Asked Questions, Henry L. Stimson Center, Chemical and Biological Weapons Nonproliferation Project
http://www.stimson.org/cwc/persprot.htm

Personal Protection Measures against the Terrorist Threat. Defense Intelligence Agency.
http://www.ncix.gov/publications/booklets_brochures/booklet_personalProtection/PersonalProt.php

"Preparing for Emergencies", United Kingdom preparedness guides
http://www.preparingforemergencies.gov.uk
<http://www.preparingforemergencies.gov.uk/>

Ready.Gov web site, Department of Homeland Security, Misc. Information
http://www.ready.gov/

Respirator fact sheet: "What you should know in deciding whether to buy escape hoods, gas masks, or other respirators for preparedness at home and work." NIOSH. April 14, 2003
http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/npptl/npptlrespfact.html

Shelter in Place Planning, Partnership Toward Safer Communities Program, Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs.
http://www.ptsc-program.org/shelter_in_place.htm

"Sheltering in Place as a Public Protective Action", National Institute for Chemical Studies, June 2001.
http://www.nicsinfo.org/shelter%20in%20place.pdf

Sheltering in Place, Redefiningreadiness.doc study and resources
http://www.redefiningreadiness.net/

"Terrorism - Preparing for the Unexpected" American Red Cross, Sept 2001
http://www.redcross.org/services/disaster/keepsafe/unexpected.html

US Government, FirstGov Web Site "Protect Yourself and Your country", numerous resources
http://www.firstgov.gov/Topics/Usgresponse.shtml

235. Re:EXTREME Emergency Preparedness. RE: Dr. Kristi Koenig

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-12-04 00:57:06 UTC
From: Ross
Topic: 235 Message: 235

A rather inane remark, don't you think, under the circumstances? I wonder if she would have had anything that "brillilant" to say if she had been warned before 911; maybe something like "take a bath" or "brush your teeth"?

236. Bio Attack Likely in Next 5 Years

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2008-12-04 14:10:40 UTC
From: PATRICK MULLEN
Topic: 236 Message: 236

Re: EXTREME Emergency Preparedness From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart

Bio Attack Likely in Next 5 Years

WASHINGTON (AP) A bipartisan commission is asserting the country should expect a terrorist attack using nuclear or biological weapons sometime in the next five years.

This is old news. Is it not?? I suppose you folks have already had the "It is not a matter if IF an attack will happen, but WHEN it will happen." briefing.

I don't mean to compare apples and oranges, but follow me on this: Those of us who travel across, or live near, the Mexican border constantly witness the smuggling activities that are ongoing. When I first moved to Mexico I was amazed at the amount of illegal crossings and/or attempts I observed just going on my way to the border from my house in TJ. So much of it goes on one cannot help but notice it happening, even though as a traveler I was normally concentrating my attention on the mechanics of getting from point A in Mexico to point B in the States without getting run over by a crazy taxi driver or fruit cart. Once I arrived on the "other side," it was apparent that the smuggling infrastructure is quite successful. If you do not believe me, go down to any area near the border and watch what happens.

The point of my narration is that the officials in the States are clueless as to the materials and people that are coming into the U.S. It has been several years since the 9/11 attacks, and those who would do America (and Mexico BTW) harm are right under our noses. The systems and infrastructure used to prevent terrorism is seriously flawed IMHO, and it originates with a raw cultural naíveté North Americans seem to have been born with. When Dr. Kristi Koenig from the US Veteran's Administration was asked "What should a member of the general public do to protect themselves from the threat of anthrax?" her reply demonstrated abject foolishness.

Buckling up your seat belt and holding commission hearings in Washington D.C. has not accomplished much, if anything. All of us, including government officials like Dr. Koenig, need to get real about this issue. Building a fence along the border may slow down the traffice of hungry campesinos who want to do honest work like work mowing your lawn, but it won't stop crazies who want to do harm. I would suggest a good start would be made if we printed out the materials that were presented in the links Kurt sent. Some fantastic information is probably contained there.

Terrorism is a given now. It is an issue we all will face eventually; the unknown variable is when, where, and in what form. Another suggestion would be to examine what goes on around you without overreacting, and engage in an appropriate response when required.

Many folks here in Mexico are facing terrorism every day; they call it "narcoterrorismo." That term is used often here. There is a link between terrorism in North America and the drug smuggling cartels simply because they will accept money from any source to accomplish their business model, viz., a profit margin that reportedly approaches 90%. This is due, in large part, to the demand for illegal drugs and cheap labor in the U.S. and Canada.

There is no such thing as harmless drug use, or legitimate businesses that hire illegal labor. Perhaps the people in the States will decide to enforce their own laws someday. Until that happens it is "Katy, bar the door!"

Terrorists have moved across the border in the past, and been stopped, or so the story goes. Perhaps you have heard the rumor about the coyote who went into the witness protectection program after he clued the Border Patrol about a group that were transporting vials of an unknown substance across the southern border. I cannot substantiate the tale of course, but it is credible. If nothing else, it provides one the opportunity to consider a realistic hypothetical. If you gave me $20,000 big ones I could probably get anyone or anything delivered to the Stateside location of your choice. Well, quite honestly, if you gave it to me, I would find a way to keep the $20,000 and also nail your ass like the coyote did.

What would you do if you saw something like this going down? It is entirely possible that someone in this newsgroup will.

Best regards Kurt. Keep up your good work.

Pat Mullen

237. NEW Name for this Group

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-01-29 19:52:08 UTC
From: Asst Moderator
Topic: 237 Message: 237

For obvious reasons, the name of this group is being changed at noon today.

OLD NAME -- SDGARES-2008

NEW NAME -- SDGARES-2009

After noon today, send messages to: SDGARES-2009@yahoogroups.com

View message archive here
-->> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDGARES-2009/messages

238. High Winds Forecast

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-01-29 20:51:36 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 238 Message: 238

WIND GUSTS TO 70 MPH IN WIND PRONE AREAS... see below...

AREA FORECAST DISCUSSION
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE SAN DIEGO CA
915 AM PST THU JAN 29 2009

.SYNOPSIS...
HIGH PRESSURE ALOFT AND OFFSHORE FLOW WILL BRING MOSTLY CLEAR AND WARMER WEATHER THROUGH THE MIDDLE OF NEXT WEEK. GUSTY SANTA ANA WINDS...MAINLY THROUGH AND BELOW MOUNTAIN CANYONS AND PASSES TODAY THROUGH FRIDAY. WEAKER OFFSHORE FLOW WILL CONTINUE FRIDAY NIGHT INTO SATURDAY MORNING AND AGAIN NEXT WEEK.

.DISCUSSION...FOR EXTREME SOUTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA INCLUDING ORANGE... SAN DIEGO...WESTERN RIVERSIDE AND SOUTHWESTERN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTIES...

.SHORT TERM...TODAY THROUGH SATURDAY NIGHT
THE ONGOING MODERATE SANTA ANA WIND EVENT WILL PEAK TODAY/TONIGHT WITH WIND GUSTS TO 70 MPH IN WIND PRONE AREAS AS OFFSHORE PRESSURE GRADIENTS FROM GREAT BASIN TO SW CALIFORNIA COAST INCREASE TO OVER 20 MB. PRESSURE GRADIENTS RELAX TO AROUND 12 MB ON FRIDAY AND WE LOSE THE MID LEVEL WIND SUPPORT. WILL PROBABLY DOWNGRADE THE HIGH WIND WARNINGS TO WIND ADVISORIES FRIDAY MORNING...BUT ALSO EXTEND SAID WIND ADVISORIES INTO FRIDAY EVENING FOR SAN DIEGO COUNTY/RIVERSIDE COUNTY MOUNTAINS. THE 20 DEGREES OF WARMING THAT WAS MOSTLY CONFINED TO THE UPPER VALLEYS/COASTAL SLOPES YESTERDAY HAS WORKED DOWN TO THE LOWER VALLEYS AND COASTAL PLAIN THIS MORNING. EXPECT TEMPERATURES IN THE MID 70S TO THE MID 80S FROM THE COASTAL SLOPES WESTWARD TODAY WITH SIMILAR TEMPERATURES ON FRIDAY. WEAK OFFSHORE FLOW IS STILL PRESENT INTO SATURDAY MORNING SO TEMPERATURE FALLS ON SATURDAY SHOULD BE LESS THAN 5 DEGREES EXCEPT THE LOWER VALLEYS/COAST WHERE 10 TO 15 DEGREES OF COOLING ARE LIKELY DUE TO THE SEA BREEZE HAVING MORE SUPPORT FROM WEAK ONSHORE FLOW ALOFT DUE TO THE UPPER TROUGH WELL TO THE NORTH MOVING INLAND. WILL RE-EXAMINE SKY COVER GRIDS BEFORE ISSUING AFTERNOON FORECAST...BUT FOR NOW FEEL NOT ENOUGH TIME FOR EVEN A SHALLOW MARINE LAYER TO REACH SATURATION AND/OR PRODUCE STRATUS/FOG SATURDAY NIGHT NOR WILL HIGH LEVEL MOISTURE CAUSE NOTICEABLE INCREASE IN CLOUDS.

239. Call for support: Tour of California

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-04 17:07:57 UTC
From: David Heiser
Topic: 239 Message: 239

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240. cert

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-01-30 17:51:10 UTC
From: Julie
Topic: 240 Message: 240

Hi there@!
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any other good training for ur RAdio chics?@ Julie KI6BUP

241. Re: cert

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-04 18:06:14 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 240 Message: 241

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Julie,

The NEXT Escondido CERT training class starts on February 28, 2009 at
9:00am. I suggest you arrive a few minutes early.

Location: Escondido City Hall on Valley Parkway at Maple Street.
You can park in the lot at Maple Street.

Anyone who lives or works near Escondido can attend.

For people in OTHER Cities, Google the word CERT plus the name of
your City and that information is likely to come up.

73,

-- Kurt, N6MD

242. Acting Chairman of the FCC is designated

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-04 18:13:28 UTC
From: PATRICK MULLEN
Topic: 242 Message: 242

Interim FCC Chief Takes Over 'Demoralized' Agency

Michael J. Copps has taken over the Federal Communications Commission, and according to many sources within the agency, he's got his work cut out for him as acting chairman as he tries to repair the spirit of the agency.

Copps was appointed acting chairman of the agency last week by President Obama until the administration formally announces their appointee. Julius Genachowski,
Obama's tech advisor, friend, and Harvard Law School classmate, is expected to be named FCC head, according to sources close to the transition team and on Capitol Hill. Though Copps hasn't laid out specific goals as interim chairman, comments he made to staff has set the tone for cultural and procedural changes at the agency that will likely be resumed by Genachowski.

Genachowski will "inherit an agency largely demoralized that has lost a great deal of career experts," said Christopher Yoo, a professor of law at the University of Pennsylvania.

Coops made his remarks to all FCC staff today saying he would focus on the digital television transition and inside-agency efforts to try to improve communication and transparency at the agency.

"I'm troubled that our lines of communication, both internal and external, seem to be frayed," Copps said in remarks to staff, according to a statement released
by the agency. "Our credibility suffers when that happens."

To achieve that, he encouraged more interaction between bureaus and offices. He said the chairman's office will hold weekly briefings with bureau and office chiefs with a representative from each commissioner's office in attendance. He called for more white papers on policy issues for the public to view.

Officials at the agency have complained privately that former chairman Kevin J. Martin didn't include them in his policy decisions or meetings with high-level economists, technologists and legal minds at the FCC. They said Martin was secretive and didn't tell them of his schedule and his plans, only to reveal sometimes policy notices at the last minute for vote at the FCC's open monthly meetings.

"The Commission has to be repaired in the eyes of the public," said Gigi Sohn, executive director of public interest group Public Knowledge. She has helped launch a site called www.fcc-reform.org, which solicits comments on how to reform the FCC by making it more transparent and more relevant to today's convergence of media, wireless technology, social networking, Internet search and other technologies.

But the biggest policy issue the agency will focus on in coming weeks will be the national conversion to all-ditigal broadcast television.

Copps said the agency will work to make the transition to all-digital broadcast over television on Feb. 17 as smooth as possible, however he reiterated that Congress should extend the date for the transition as millions of analog television viewers wait for coupons for digital converter boxes. The National Telecommunications & Information Administration said earlier this month that it had run out of money to fund the coupon program.

"It's no secret that I have always favored a more proactive and coordinated public-private partnership to fashion a seamless DTV transition," according to a
release on Copps' remarks. "It's too late for that seamlesness now, but we have an obligation to do what we can in the three weeks remaining to minimize the dislocation and then, in the weeks following to repair the things that didn't work."

By Cecilia Kang | January 26, 2009; 5:20 PM ET | Washington Post at URL:
<http://voices.washingtonpost.com/posttech/2009/01/interim_fcc_chief_takes_over_\
d.html?wprss=posttech>

243. Fw: Palmdale Tower Case - Rules in Favor of WB6X

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-07 07:30:24 UTC
From: PATRICK MULLEN
Topic: 243 Message: 243

Sometimes they "get" it.

----- Forwarded Message ----
From: Dennis Vernacchia <n6ki73@...>
To: sccc@...
Sent: Friday, February 6, 2009 6:52:17 PM
Subject: Palmdale Tower Case - Rules in Favor of WB6X

In Los Angeles Superior court late this morning, Judge David Yaffe ruled in favor of Alec Zubarau WB6X, invalidating the City of Palmdale's 2008 order that he remove his tower. I joined counsel Len Shaffer WA6QHD in the courtroom, and we both walked out pleased that the court found the City's action to be improper. The preliminary ruling had included a decision invalidating the city's current antenna ordinance, but it appears that the final ruling, which Len will receive next week, will not include that provision. Nonetheless, the fact that the City lost and came very close to having their ordinance invalidated should serve to bolster the position of local hams who are trying to negotiate the language of a replacement antenna ordinance with city officials.

A brief story just appeared on the ARRL Web site. We should have more detail to report once we see the written ruling and Len has prepared the order for the judge's signature. Sincere thanks to Len for his tireless efforts and to all who have provided support financially and otherwise, including the many who added their ideas and comments directly and through this reflector.

Please feel free to contact me if you wish to discuss further, although I have no written decision to share at this time.

73,

Marty

Marty Woll N6VI
Vice-Director, ARRL Southwestern Division
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244. Re: [SDGARES-2009] Call for support: Tour of California

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-07 00:04:37 UTC
From: Richard Scardino
Topic: 239 Message: 244

David,
I am the staff officer over the Field Ops group with San Diego County RACES. This race was brought up at our general meeting this past Monday and our organzation is interested in helping PMVFD with comms if you would be open to this idea. I am planning on drumming up interest at our Field Ops meeting this coming Monday.

Richard
San Diego RACES
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760-815-3823

From: David Heiser <davidheiserca@...>
To: SDGARES-2009 <SDGARES-2009@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 4, 2009 9:07:57 AM
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245. Palmdale Antenna Ruling...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-07 16:59:36 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 245 Message: 245

Copied from http://www.arrl.org/

Judge Rules in Favor of Amateur in Palmdale Antenna Support Structure Case (Feb 6, 2009) -- On Friday, February 6, Los Angeles Superior Court Judge David Yaffe issued a ruling in favor of Alec Zubarau, WB6X, of Palmdale, California, in <http://www.arrl.org//news/stories/2008/12/19/10512/?nc=1>Zubarau's case against the City of Palmdale. Last year, after Zubarau received a valid building permit from the City to erect an antenna support structure, the City of Palmdale revoked Zubarau's building permit after he had erected the tower. According to Zubarau's attorney, Len Shaffer, WA6QHD, the Court's ruling invalidates the actions of the City in revoking Zubarau's permit and requires the City to allow him to replace the tower. "Zubarau's case has drawn nationwide attention and financial support from the ARRL, Amateur Radio clubs and individual Amateur Radio operators from around the country," said ARRL Southwestern Division Vice Director Marty Woll, N6VI. "Although this ruling does not directly address the City's proposed zoning ordinance amendment, based on the Court's language, it should provide considerable support for those hams attempting to negotiate a more reasonable provision allowing antenna support structures in the Palmdale City Code."

246. 2009 SDG ARES Board Election???

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-07 19:12:04 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 246 Message: 246

Folks,

Three questions, if I may...

1) Please look here -->> www.lakehodges.com/Jan-9-2005-SD_ARES_BYLAWS.pdf
Is this the most recent version of the SDG ARES bylaws and are these
bylaws currently in effect?
If anyone is aware of a newer version, would you please email a copy to me?

2) Do I understand correctly that nominations for the ARES board will
take place at the Feb 14, 2009 ARES meeting?
And will the vote be taken at the March 14, 2009 ARES meeting?

3) Does anyone know who is planning to run for ARES board this year?

Sincere thanks,

Kurt Barnhart, N6MD
Lake Hodges
N6MD@...

247. Re: Palmdale Tower Case - Rules in Favor of WB6X

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-07 18:50:22 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 243 Message: 247

PATRICK MULLEN wrote:
Sometimes they "get" it.

Patrick:

City Civil Servants and their elected masters rarely if ever "Get it" and in fact continue to abuse their power indiscriminately such as in San Diego without any consideration of the law.

It took an expensive Court action by Alex (with the help of the ARRL and other ham donations) and a ruling by a Judge before they "Got it"

This case has already Cost the City of Palmdale (which is even worse financial shape than San Diego) an estimated $40k or more.

They are under currently under no obligation to pay for the reinstallation of the tower;

That would be a separate action and there has been no application for those costs yet.

No "pain and suffering" awards in this court case yet.

I would not be surprised to see a separate court action now to recover legal costs plus costs to re-install Alex's tower/antenna for him and otherwise compensate him for stress and on-air time lost in this case,

It is hoped that Alex will proceed to sue them to recover his costs and damages as this ruling.

With the precedent set by the Court...Alex has an excellent chance of winning.

In any case, the City will have to defend itself at considerable additional cost to the taxpayers.

Alex needs to keep up the pressure as they did to him.

Teach em' (and other jurisdictions) a lesson so that they actually will "Get It"

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248. Re: [SDGARES-2009] Palmdale Antenna Ruling...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-07 19:57:43 UTC
From: Chell
Topic: 245 Message: 248

Another win for Ham Radio Operators.

Chell Gilman
760.207.8314
Call Sign: KI6FKA

The miracle is this - the more we share, the more we have.
Leonard Nimoy

249. 2009 SDG ARES® Board Election - Mar 14, 2009?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-07 21:43:09 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 249 Message: 249

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wrong in any way, please send me a private
message with your corrections to N6MD@...

This apparently is the most recent version of the
SDG ARES® Bylaws and they are currently in effect.
-->> http://www.lakehodges.com/Jan-9-2005-SD_ARES_BYLAWS.pdf

If I am interpreting Article V correctly,
nominations for the ARES board will take place at
the Feb 14, 2009 ARES meeting.
The meeting time and location are shown here -->>
http://sdgares.net/htdocs/index2.html

Per Article V, paragraph A, director candidates
must be a current member of the ARRL, must hold a
current Amateur Radio license, and must be a registered voting member of ARES.

Registered SDG ARES members who are present at
the March 14, 2009 Annual Meeting are eligible to
participate in an advisory vote by written ballot
to recommend three ARES board members for the
March 2009 to March 2010 term of office. The two
permanent ARES board members are the current SDG
Section Manager (also board chairman), and a
Section Emergency Coordinator appointed by the SM.

Article III.A.1 and 2 seem to indicate that any
currently or formerly registered SDG ARES member
may cast a ballot on March 14 if they are present
at the meeting. If a registered member has not
attended a meeting within the past 12 months,
they may have been transferred to the inactive
member roll, but, when they attend one meeting or
activity they are automatically reinstated to
voting member status (Per III.A.2).

Do these interpretations all seem to be correct?

Sincere thanks,

Kurt Barnhart, N6MD
Lake Hodges

N6MD@...

250. 2009 SDG ARES® Board Election - Mar 14, 2009?

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-07 22:11:30 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 249 Message: 250

Folks,

If my previous message
(http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDGARES-2009/message/249)
is accurate, it means...

1) Nominations for the 2009-2010 SDG ARES board can be made from the floor at the February 14, 2009 SDG ARES monthly meeting or at the March 14, 2009 Annual Meeting. Candidates for the board must be a current member of the ARRL (national), must hold a current Amateur Radio license, and must be a registered member of SDG ARES, according to the Bylaws.

2) These meetings are scheduled to take place at: Scripps Memorial Hospital, Schaetzel Building, Nobel Room at 8am at 9890 Genesee Ave La Jolla, CA 92037.

3) Any registered member of SDG ARES can cast a written ballot by attending the March 14, 2009 ARES Annual Meeting. This is an advisory vote by the members indicating who they would like to serve on the SDG ARES board of directors from March 2009 to March 2010. Whether this advisory vote is accepted is the decision of the Section Manager.

4) If you are not currently a registered SDG ARES member, you presumably can apply now to become a member, and if your application is accepted by March 14, 2009, you will be eligible to vote. If you hold a current Amateur Radio license and are a member of the ARRL (national) on that date, you are also eligible to run as a candidate for the SDG ARES board of directors, 2009 to 2010 term of office.

5) You can join ARRL (or renew) here -->> http://www.arrl.org/benefits.html

6) Current SDG ARES bylaws are here
-->> http://www.lakehodges.com/Jan-9-2005-SD_ARES_BYLAWS.pdf

Please send a private message to N6MD@... if you believe that anything above is not accurate.

73,

-- Kurt Barnhart, N6MD
N6MD@...

251. And Justice for All! - Thanks From WB6X

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-09 05:13:21 UTC
From: Alec Zubaru WB6X
Topic: 251 Message: 251

It has been almost 15 years since I got my first amateur radio license. I started with wire antennas and modified CB verticals, I still remember those days when I had to file the crystals to make CB rigs work on 10 meters. I received hundreds of QSL cards from all over the world, and seeing other ham's antenna systems got my heart going faster. Those were the days when I set the goal for myself to have a effective antennas system that will let me work the whole world! And when I came to the US this dream was still with me, I lived in the apartments for three years and had to limit myself to eavesdropping to other hams on 2 meters, still waiting for my days to come.

In 2003 my wife and I purchased our home and I felt this it, this is my ham's dream come true. In 2005 after about 3 months of dealing with the city I got my tower permit and permit for the vertical antenna on the roof of my house - life was good! The tower went up in the spring of 2006, some neighbors opposed to the installation but the city ignored their concerns stating that the structure is safe and it legally permitted and allowed by the ordinance. It took me two years to furnish my shack and buy 4el Steppir antenna, which went up on the tower on January 27, 2007.

The antenna had been up there for a little over three months, when the city ordered for it to be removed, claiming that antenna was intruding the side yard setback by 3 feet. Antenna was down, at this point there was no ordinance violation of any kind. However my lovely neighbors were not happy, they said " We will allow him to keep the antennas on the house, but the tower has to go down!" After numerous hearings, city council voted 3 out of 5 for the removal of the tower (I never received the copy of their decision in writing. What was the reason behind this order? However the threats to fine an throw me in jail came very fast). On February 19, 2008 I had to hire a crane to remove the tower...

It's been almost a year since the tower went down, but today is my victory! Today is the time for my celebration! Today I have my dream back! I can't wait for the tower to go back on its place and can't wait to put up the antenna on the top!

It's been a long, perilous and arduous fight; the fight where a lot was at stake. The fight is won! This victory would have never been possible without you! Without you my dear fellow hams and friends! Today the hats are off for all of you, who spend their time and energy to help me battle the city of Palmdale. I send my thanks to all who contributed their hard earned dollars and precious time! But most of all I have to thank Len (WA6QHD), who stepped in to help and support me, when almost all hopes were gone. The victory is his! He spent hundreds of hours of his personal time to fight the case. Thanks to his affords and

determination today I have a chance to get my lifetime dream back! Thank you, thank you so very much!

I also have to mention that long expected opening of the "second front" and long awaited participation of ARRL in the case has to be contributed to Marty Woll (N6VI), his effort and desire to help, made this case known to the public and to the ham community all over the world. Thank you! Thank you very much!

I also would like to thank to the hams of Antelope Valley Amateur radio club, for their contribution, support and presence at the hearings held by the city of Palmdale.

And finally my thanks go to all the hams who came forward with their advice and support. I also would like to thank all the PAPA (www.papasys.net <http://www.papasys.net/>) members for their contribution and great help with this case, they are the people who did not let my hopes to be lost. They are the ones who kept me company over the airwaves, when I felt alone and lost! Thank you all and God bless!

Alec Zubaru WB6X
Palmdale, CA

252. More re. WB6X Case - More Good News for Hams

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-12 20:05:46 UTC
From: Marty N6VI
Topic: 252 Message: 252

Hi, all.

Last week we reported that a favorable court ruling had been issued in the lawsuit of Alec Zubarau WB6X against the City of Palmdale. According to Leonard Shaffer WA6QHD, who served as Zubarau's counsel pro bono, the ruling contained some very beneficial language that will very likely be helpful to other hams.

In his order, Judge David Yaffe referred to the city's withdrawal of Zubarau's validly issued tower permit after he had already removed his antenna as an abuse of discretion. One hopes that the city will think twice in the future about using such tactics as the threat of large fines to force compliance with an order based on unsubstantiated findings. He further found that the city's decision to eliminate the tower violates the express requirements of California's PRB-1 equivalent statute, which was enacted in 2003 but had yet to be used in a court case.

The court also found that unsubstantiated complaints by neighbors and anecdotal reports of transmissions interfering with other electrical equipment or posing health and safety concerns did not constitute substantial evidence. Finally, and perhaps most important, the ruling states that a local ordinance requiring that Amateur antennas be compatible with the surrounding neighborhood with respect to visual and other impacts is void because it may not constitute the minimum practicable regulation as required under the state statute. While falling just short of invalidating Palmdale's current antenna ordinance, this language ought to put a damper on the city's Draconian proposed zoning ordinance amendment and its extreme limitations on Amateur Radio antennas.

Len says the text of the court ruling will be released after the service of notice on the city and expiration of the appeal period.

73,

Marty N6VI

253. Palmdale Victory Helped - K6DEX Tower and Antenna Victory Vs City of Oceanside 2.09.09

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-10 19:44:56 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 253 Message: 253

FYI

The ARRL document on Antenna Height apparently spoke for itself and answered the Oceanside Staff objection of requiring an NEC analysis.

The lawyer for the City of Oceanside was apparently already aware of the Palmdale victory and as a result had changed her opinion for the Planning Commission Hearing.

She went from a position of strong opposition to the variance prior to the Palmdale victory to a conciliatory position of explaining that PRB-1 and AB1228 limited Oceanside to approving the 75' variance.

There are some minor engineering issues that Bob still needs to deal with but they should be doable.

Another significant Victory for Ham Radio....

And thanks again to everyone who worked so hard to help Bob and to help with Palmdale!

We can win at City Hall if we all work together...

Howard S. White Ph.D. P. Eng., VE3GFW/K6 ex-AE6SM KY6LA
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"No Good Deed Goes Unpunished"
"Ham Antennas Save Lives - Katrina, 2003 & 2007 San Diego Fires, 911"

From: prb1-bounces@... [mailto:prb1-bounces@...] On Behalf Of Howard S. White
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2009 9:58 AM
To: PRB1@...
Subject: [PRB1] K6DEX Tower and Antenna Vs City of Oceanside

FYI We won our Antenna Tower and Antenna Height case last night. Still have a couple of issues, but won our Variance to 75 feet.

Thank you for your support.

73s

Bob K6DEX

254. RE: [sddxcnews] More re. WB6X Case - More Good News for Hams in SD in the Court Ruling.

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-12 20:46:09 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 252 Message: 254

This was the first court test of California's PRB-1 and seems to be a very strong ruling in our favor.

"most important, the ruling states that a local ordinance requiring that Amateur antennas be compatible with the surrounding neighborhood with respect to visual and other impacts is void because it may not constitute the minimum practicable regulation as required under the state statute."

Huge court precedent for SD Hams, if we have to move to the courts in SD as clearly the proposed SD ordinances will now not survive SD Ham's inevitable court challenge under California PRB-1.

Also it looks to be a great precedent for Poway Hams... if they want to take Poway to court as the Poway restrictions would also likely now be voided in court.

Bottom Line: We now have court precedents for both Federal and California PRB-1 which strongly favor Ham Radio. This should take a lot of wind out of the City of SD sails. You can expect that the DX Club's lawyers will make sure that the City is aware of this ruling and that if they force us to take them to court it will effectively result in voiding most of their proposed restrictions.

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From: sddxcnews@yahoogroups.com [mailto:sddxcnews@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Howard S. White
Sent: Thursday, February 12, 2009 12:06 PM
To: sddxcnews@yahoogroups.com; SDDisasterDefense@yahoogroups.com
Cc: CEROinc@yahoogroups.com; SDGARES-2009@yahoogroups.com; sdsixshooters@yahoogroups.com; Felix Tinkov; serra@...
Subject: [sddxcnews] More re. WB6X Case - More Good News for Hams in SD in the Court Ruling.

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Marty N6VI

255. Yeasu VX-7R

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-17 19:13:22 UTC
From: Nan Barker
Topic: 255 Message: 255
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Does anybody know anything abouth this radio? I have programmed it before no problem. But yesterday, I was trying to change the PL tone so that I could talk to some of the guys up here in ramona and readign the manual just frustrated me. Any help is appreciated!

Nan B KD5OAN

(858) 531-1005
Please visit my website@
http://basketsbynan.googlepages.com/home

256. DIGITAL TV NEWS FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-02-17 22:32:59 UTC
From: john_hudson@oes.ca.gov
Topic: 256 Message: 256

This is a historic night, info taken from the CGC Communicator.

If you are in the footprint of any of these stations using your old analog tv on rabbit ears or outside antenna will be interesting as the old signal is taken off the air!

LAST MINUTE ANALOG TV SHUTDOWN NOTES

o In San Diego, XETV today reports being told NOT to shutdown CH-6 tonight as planned. The station will continue with analog on CH-6 and digital on CH-23 (business as usual) until allowed to do otherwise by the SCT in Mexico City.

o In San Diego, KGTV, CH-10 analog, will reportedly shut down at 11:30 PM following the evening news, and the last video may be a live-shot from the transmitter on Mt. Soledad showing the transmitter being turned off. This will be historic video if it comes to pass, and it would be helpful if the video were captured and posted on the Internet (hint).

o In San Diego, KFMB, CH-8, is scheduled to terminate analog operations at 11:59 PM according to an inside source.

o In San Diego, KSWB will reportedly keep their the CH-69 analog signal on the air for one week as a night light station. (This information is from an FCC source; an engineering assistant at KSWB indicated no knowledge of night light plans.)

o In the Santa Barbara - San Luis Obispo DMA, KEYT, KSBY, KPMR and KTAS are reportedly ready to sign off their analog transmitters at midnight. However, KCOY's analog will remain on the air as a night light station providing news, emergency information and video loops to help the public with the DTV transition.

o If the public has questions on the DTV transition, the FCC advises they call 888-CALL-FCC.

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257. Re: Yeasu VX-7R

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-03-11 15:50:23 UTC
From: misticunicorn
Topic: 255 Message: 257

Nan,

Might be easier to talk on phone. If you want call me at 760.207.8314. That is my cell phone. I just recently figured it out.

Chell Gilman
KI6FKA
760.207.8314

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258. Mar 14 2009 SDG ARES Board Election

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-03-11 20:45:56 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 258 Message: 258

Folks,

Will you be attending the SDG ARES® Annual
Membership Meeting on Saturday, Mar 14, 2009 at 8am at Scripps, La Jolla?

Look here -->> http://sdgares.net/htdocs/index2.html

Were you aware that an election for members of
the SDG ARES board will be held?

According to Article V, Paragraph D of the SDG
ARES bylaws, nominations may be made from the floor on the day of the election.

Look here -->>
http://www.lakehodges.com/Jan-9-2005-SD_ARES_BYLAWS.pdf

Do you know of any qualified ARES members willing to be nominated?

73,

-- Kurt, N6MD

259. Allstate insurance unethical treatment... SD Wild Fires 2007...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-04-16 16:54:52 UTC
From: Tisha Bennett, Lake Hodges
Topic: 259 Message: 259

From: Tisha Bennett, Lake Hodges

Save your loved ones from Allstate's unethical business practices.
Please forward the following to all.
For the past 18 months we have fought Allstate for fair treatment.
Please save those you care for from having to go through what we have
had to endure, pass this on, and ask that your friends pass it
on. Tisha and Jack Bennett

Click on the following link...

http://www.cbsnews.com/sections/i_video/main500251.shtml?id=4261456n

(Start the video and wait a few seconds for Katie Couric's news
report to start...)

Read this too -->> http://www.elkandelk.com/TenWorstInsuranceCompanies.pdf

260. Re: [SDGARES-2009] Allstate insurance unethical treatment... SD Wild Fires 2007...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-04-16 19:34:23 UTC
From: Ross Bartlett
Topic: 259 Message: 260

My problems with Allstate go back 50 years. Do not trust them, they will drop you even if it isn't your fault, and that could make you have to go elsewhere for more expensive insurance. Your are NOT in good hands with Allstate.

261. Northern Nevada Earthquake Prediction

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-04-17 18:06:00 UTC
From: Lake Hodges Radio
Topic: 261 Message: 261
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Northern Nevada Earthquake Prediction

Remote viewing teacher Maj. Ed Dames discussed some current cases of his Matrix Intelligence Agency, as well as issued some dire warnings over future events. Here is a rundown of what he sees coming:

In five to six months a powerful quake, probably in the 6.5 to 7 range will hit near Carson City, NV.

Emacs!

4-9-09-- Matrix Intelligence Agency Warning Notice:

A powerful and potentially destructive earthquake is brewing, immediately to the east of Carson City, Nevada (epicenter indicated on accompanying Google imagery). Strike window is estimated to be 5-6 months away. In order to prevent or limit loss of life and property in connection with this event, Carson City/Reno area residents are strongly advised to take the necessary precautions. Relevant earthquake preparedness measures can be found <http://www.carson-city.nv.us/index.aspx?page=349>here.

Source... http://www.coasttocoastam.com/show/2009/04/09

262. Earthquake Prediction

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-04-17 20:46:08 UTC
From: Richard Elling
Topic: 261 Message: 262

In 1990, I lived in Alabama, which is not far from the New Madrid fault.
Iben Browning predicted an earthquake along that fault in December 1990.
The resulting panic, media blitz, and non-event should be a good lesson.

http://pubs.er.usgs.gov/usgspubs/cir/cir1083

-- richard

263. Amateur Radio gets a boost

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-05-01 03:59:51 UTC
From: Gary, N6LRV
Topic: 263 Message: 263

Here's an exciting new political development in support of amateur radio;

http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/04/30/10792/
<http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/04/30/10792/>

I'm not usually one to contact state or federal legislators however once the content of this bill is release you can be sure I will be encouraging our California congress people and senators to support it and I hope you will be doing the same. A quick letter or email of support sent to our representatives should be top priority for each of us I feel. Seldom does an opportunity like this come along where we can get genuine support from those in power. This bill could potentially streamline the defeat of municipal efforts (like San Diego's) to restrict antennas and towers as well as enlighten the public on the many benefits of amateur radio. Heck, it may even lead to funding of licensee training. Please join me in convincing all congress members to pass this bill thru the house.

Thanks very much.

73,
Gary

N6LRV

264. Re: Amateur Radio gets a boost

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-05-01 15:03:25 UTC
From: misticunicorn
Topic: 263 Message: 264

This is excellent news but with the troubles we have here in California, could we convince the right people?

Chell
KI6FKA

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265. Re: [PRB1] HOUSTON REPRESENTATIVE INTRODUCES AMATEUR RADIO BILL INCONGRESS

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-05-02 00:18:26 UTC
From: Marty Woll
Topic: 265 Message: 265

Yes, it could, but we don't want to go trumpeting that right now because doing so could galvanize opponents. Best to keep a low profile on this until it's out of commmittee and ready for a House vote. Then we can express our support fot the measure to our respective representatives.

73,

Marty N6VI

----- Original Message -----
From: Howard S. White
To: sddxcnews@yahoogroups.com
Cc: sdsixshooters@yahoogroups.com ; SDDisasterDefense@yahoogroups.com ; SDGARES-2009@yahoogroups.com ; CEROinc@yahoogroups.com ; prb1@...
Sent: Friday, May 01, 2009 3:47 PM
Subject: [PRB1] HOUSTON REPRESENTATIVE INTRODUCES AMATEUR RADIO BILL INCONGRESS

IF THIS PASSES IT COULD BE A FIRST STEP TO VOIDING CC&R ANTENNA RESTRICTIONS ...

HOUSTON REPRESENTATIVE INTRODUCES AMATEUR RADIO BILL IN CONGRESS

On Wednesday, April 29, Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee (D-TX) introduced HR 2160 -- the "Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Act of 2009" -- in the US House of Representatives. This bill, if passed, would "promote and encourage the valuable public service, disaster relief, and emergency communications provided on a volunteer basis by licensees of the Federal Communications Commission in the Amateur Radio Service, by undertaking a study of the uses of Amateur Radio for emergency and disaster relief communications, by identifying unnecessary or unreasonable impediments to the deployment of Amateur Radio emergency and disaster relief communications, and by making recommendations for relief of such unreasonable restrictions so as to expand the uses of Amateur Radio communications in Homeland Security planning and response." The bill has been referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce < http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=111_cong_bills&docid=f:h2160ih.txt.pdf >.

If enacted into law, HR 2160, would instruct the Secretary of Homeland Security to undertake a study and report its findings to Congress within 180 days. The study would spell out uses and capabilities of Amateur Radio communications in emergencies and disaster relief. The study

shall:

* Include recommendations for enhancements in the voluntary deployment of Amateur Radio licensees in disaster and emergency communications and disaster relief efforts.

* Include recommendations for improved integration of Amateur Radio operators in planning and in furtherance of the Department of Homeland Security initiatives.

* Identify unreasonable or unnecessary impediments to enhanced Amateur Radio communications -- such as the effects of private land use regulations on residential antenna installations -- and make recommendations regarding such impediments.

* Include an evaluation of Section 207 of the Telecommunications Act of

1996 (Public Law 104-104, 110 Stat 56 [1996]).

* Recommend whether Section 207 should be modified to prevent unreasonable private land use restrictions that impair the ability of amateurs to conduct, or prepare to conduct, emergency communications by means of effective outdoor antennas and support structures at reasonable heights and dimensions for the purpose in residential areas.

The Secretary of Homeland Security shall utilize the expertise of the ARRL and shall seek information from private and public sectors for the study.

The bill currently has five co-sponsors: Madeleine Bordallo (Guam), Mary Jo Kilroy (D-OH), Zoe Lofgren (D-CA), Blaine Luetkemeyer (R-MO) and Bennie Thompson (D-MS). Representative Thompson currently serves as Chairman of the Committee on Homeland Security. Representatives Jackson-Lee, Lofgren and Kilroy are members of that committee.

"We understand that Representative Jackson-Lee was very impressed with the radio amateurs she encountered on a visit to an Emergency Operations Center in Houston during Hurricane Ike last September," said ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ. "We are grateful to her and to the five original co-sponsors for their support of Amateur Radio and the encouragement that their bill offers."

ARRL President Joel Harrison, W5ZN, concurred: "We are excited to have Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee introduce HR 2160. It is extremely encouraging to have the support of a number of original co-sponsors -- including several members of the House Homeland Security Committee -- who recognize the importance of Amateur Radio's long history of public service."

Of course, it would not hurt to get a better definition of "reasonable accommodation" as well so that Cities like San Diego, with their heads up their butts, would not be able to continually threaten to restrict antennas.

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PRB1 mailing list
PRB1@...
http://www.kkn.net/mailman/listinfo/prb1

266. Interesting New Multiband Radio...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-07-02 19:52:33 UTC
From: N6MD@arrl.net
Topic: 266 Message: 266

Only $6,000. HIHI

http://www.networkworld.com/community/node/43196

(Skip the ad)

267. Communicators Needed Sat, Sep 26...

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-09-25 15:04:08 UTC
From: Jim Egerton, W6SST
Topic: 267 Message: 267

Jim Egerton, W6SST, and Dave Heiser, K6ROY, have sent the following request:

The Noble Canyon 50k Run on Saturday, Sep 26th, is in urgent need of Voice Comm Volunteers. We've had an unusually high attrition rate due to health and personal issues.

Noble Canyon is close to Cuyumaca State Park.

Please get the word out and volunteer if you can. Non-HAMs are welcome to use FRS radios.

Contact Jim Egerton, W6SST at 760-310-5271 C or w6sst@...

268. FW: [CEROinc] ARLB031 Senate Introduces Companion Bill to HR 2160

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-10-07 22:53:50 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 268 Message: 268

This is incredibly good news...

If it passes, it could ultimately mean an end to CC&R restrictions on amateur radio antennas....

So that every ham including those who currently are forbidden to have antennas due to CC&R's would have the right to put up an external antenna.

Subject: ARLB031 Senate Introduces Companion Bill to HR 2160

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To all radio amateurs

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ARLB031 Senate Introduces Companion Bill to HR 2160

October 6, Senator Joe Lieberman (D-CT), along with Senator Susan

Collins (R-ME), introduced Senate Bill 1755, The Amateur Radio

Emergency Communications Enhancement Act of 2009. Similar to HR 2160

-- also called The Amateur Radio Emergency Communications

Enhancement Act of 2009 -- that was introduced this past April by

Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee (D-TX-18), the bill, if passed,

would direct the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to undertake

a study on emergency communications. S 1755 points out that "There

is a strong Federal interest in the effective performance of Amateur

Radio Service stations, and that performance must be given -- (A)

support at all levels of government; and (B) protection against unreasonable regulation and impediments to the provision of the valuable communications provided by such stations."

"We are delighted to have the sponsorship of both the Chairman and the Ranking Member of the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, and especially to have the support of Senator Lieberman from the ARRL's home state," said ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ. "The bill could not have a better pedigree." Lieberman is the Chairman of the committee, while Collins is the Ranking Member.

Like HR 2160, S 1755 calls on DHS to undertake a study on the uses and capabilities of Amateur Radio Service communications in emergencies and disaster relief and then to submit a report to Congress no more than 180 days after the bill becomes law. The study shall:

Include a review of the importance of Amateur Radio emergency communications in furtherance of homeland security missions relating to disasters, severe weather and other threats to lives and property in the United States, as well as recommendations for enhancements in the voluntary deployment of Amateur Radio licensees in disaster and emergency communications and disaster relief efforts and improved integration of Amateur Radio operators in planning and furtherance of the Department of Homeland Security initiatives. Identify impediments to enhanced Amateur Radio Service communications, such as the effects of unreasonable or unnecessary private land use regulations on residential antenna installations; and make recommendations regarding such impediments for consideration by other federal departments, agencies and Congress.

In conducting the study, S 1755 directs the Secretary of Homeland

Security to "utilize the expertise of stakeholder entities and organizations, including the Amateur Radio, emergency response and disaster communications communities."

S 1755 makes note of the fact that Section 1 of the Joint Resolution entitled Joint Resolution to Recognize the Achievements of Radio Amateurs, and To Establish Support for Such Amateurs as National Policy -- approved October 22, 1994 (Public Law 103-408) -- included a finding that stated: "Reasonable accommodation should be made for the effective operation of Amateur Radio from residences, private vehicles and public areas, and the regulation at all levels of government should facilitate and encourage amateur radio operations as a public benefit." The bill also pointed out that Section 1805(c) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 757(c)) directs the Regional Emergency Communications Coordinating Working Group of the Department of Homeland Security to coordinate their activities with ham and Amateur Radio operators among the 11 other emergency organizations, such as ambulance services, law enforcement and others.

ARRL New England Division Director Tom Frenaye, K1KI said that Amateur Radio operators in the State of Maine have "an outstanding relationship" with their Congressional representatives -- plus Governor John Baldacci is KB1NXP!" Both Connecticut and Maine are part of the League's New England Division

Frenaye said that Maine Section Manager Bill Woodhead, N1KAT, dropped off a letter at Senator Collins' office in Lewiston two weeks ago, asking for her support. "After that, we had amateurs in Maine write the Senator," he said; more than 40 Maine hams wrote Senator Collins.

The Senate bill points out many positive things that Amateur Radio

operators do, including "provid[ing] on a volunteer basis, a valuable public sector service to their communities, their States, and to the Nation, especially in the area of national and international disaster communications."

It mentions that amateurs provided emergency and disaster relief communications services during both natural and manmade disasters.

"The Amateur Radio Service has formal agreements for the provision of volunteer emergency communications activities with the Department of Homeland Security, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the National Weather Service, the National Communications System, and the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials, as well as with disaster relief agencies, including the American National Red Cross and the Salvation Army," the bill reads.

Right now, S 1755 has been read twice in the Senate chamber and referred to that body's Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. HR 2160 -- now with 27 sponsors -- is in the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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269. Petition to Amend 97.113

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-10-24 18:15:50 UTC
From: Lake Hodges Radio
Topic: 269 Message: 269

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
October 24, 2009

Contact:
David Coursey, N5FDL
n5fdl@...

ARPC Files Petition to Amend 97.113: WB6NOA, N5GAR & N5FDL Seek Changes Allowing Volunteers and Professionals to Train Together

October 24, 2009 -- The Amateur Radio Policy Committee today released a copy of its Petition for Rule Making recently filed with the Federal Communications Commission.

The petition seeks changes necessary to allow amateur radio operators who are also paid emergency responders to participate in on-the-air emergency training exercises. The FCC recently stated that such activities--which had been taking place for many years--violate Part 97.113(a) of its rules and must be stopped.

Part 97.113 states that amateur radio operators may not communicate on behalf of their employer, even if it is a fire department, hospital, law enforcement, or a disaster relief charity, except during actual emergencies.

That means on a day-to-day basis that these professionals are prohibited from participating in on-air training exercises or even casual on-air conversations about their agency's emergency programs. Thus, hams working for an emergency management agency cannot participate in the agency's on-air training events with agency volunteer ham operators.

The Amateur Radio Policy Committee was formed to seek changes to FCC rules and put an end to this nonsense. Emergency responders should be able to train with their volunteers without needless interference from the FCC.

The committee consists of well-known amateur radio author Gordon West, WB6NOA; former North Texas ARRL Section Manager Tom Blackwell, N5GAR; and San Joaquin County (CA) ARES Coordinator David Coursey, N5FDL.

The petition proposes a change to Part 97.111 which describes communications permitted in the Amateur Radio Service. The proposed new language would make legal the following:

(6) Transmissions necessary for disaster relief or emergency response, including training exercises, planning, drills or tests, without regard to whether the amateur operator has related

employment, where the transmissions are for the exclusive use of amateur radio operators for noncommercial purposes.

The petition also proposes minor wording changes to 97.113 to make it consistent with the suggested new language.

A copy of the petition may be downloaded from N5FDL.com, which also includes much additional information about this controversy.

More details here...

http://n5fdl.com/

Text of the petition...

http://n5fdl.com/storage/ARPC%20Part%2097%20Petition%20Final.pdf

270. 97.113 Petition for Rule Making

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-10-31 07:41:06 UTC
From: Kurt
Topic: 270 Message: 270

Wouldn't it be nice if we could establish some sort of consensus on where San Diego Hams stand on the 97.113 petition?

Your input is appreciated.

Please review the links below, then click reply to post your comments in this group.

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http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-09-2259A1.pdf

http://www.arrl.org/news/files/ARRL_AppropriateUseGuidelines.pdf

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More elaboration from N5FDL...

http://n5fdl.com/

http://n5fdl.com/97113-faq/

http://n5fdl.com/davids-blog/2009/8/25/let-the-97113-protest-begin.html

Look at the various articles in the left hand column of the N5FDL site.

271. Re: 97.113 Petition for Rule Making

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-10-31 18:42:05 UTC
From: ki6gzk2007
Topic: 270 Message: 271

I certainly support re-defining pecuniary interest to allow training, drilling, practicing and preparing to use amateur radio by paid personnel while on duty. We need them ready to support EmComm when (not if) their fancy repeaters, 800 MHz / Satellite / Internet WebEOC's all crash or wear out. If San Diego amateurs can reach a concensus on this subject it would be historic! I hope it this discussion will not result in 4 or 5 new groups springing up. :-)

By the way, how do we sign or join the petition that has already been submitted to the FCC by Gordon West, et al, while the concensus process plays itself out in San Diego?

Thanks for starting the thread!

Don Dodson - KI6GZK
SDG ARES - Southwestern REACT - San Miguel Fire CERT - SD REMCOM - Gama Delta Iota

272. RE: 97.113 Petition for Rule Making

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-10-31 07:54:49 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 270 Message: 272

On the surface it sounds like a very good idea...

I would suggest that the FCC's current approach of requesting written waiver applications will soon overwhelm them in paperwork and ultimately cause them to abandon that ridiculous process...

But then, its hard to imagine a government bureaucrat saying no to causing more unnecessary paperwork....

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Howard S. White Ph.D. P. Eng., VE3GFW/K6 ex-AE6SM KY6LA
Website: www.ky6la.com <http://www.ky6la.com/>
"No Good Deed Goes Unpunished"
"Ham Antennas Save Lives - Katrina, 2003 & 2007 San Diego Fires, 911"

273. Re: 97.113 Petition for Rule Making

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-01 18:44:44 UTC
From: Roger Fraumann
Topic: 270 Message: 273

I urge caution with motions like this, as it might also have "commitments", clauses and loss of freedom in the Amateur bands.

274. Re: 97.113 Petition for Rule Making

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-01 19:13:03 UTC
From: Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 270 Message: 274

--- In SDGARES-2009@yahoogroups.com, Roger Fraumann <ac8q@...> wrote:
> I urge caution with motions like this, as it might also have
> "commitments", clauses and loss of freedom in the Amateur bands.

I agree this is a rather complicated issue.

Once again, I encourage everyone to visit all of the links provided below and become educated on this matter.

Also do a Google search on "FCC 97.113"

73 DE N6MD

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http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-09-2259A1.pdf

http://www.arrl.org/news/files/ARRL_AppropriateUseGuidelines.pdf

http://shortwaveamerica.blogspot.com/2009/09/mobile-wireless-restrictions-arrl-fcc.html

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http://n5fdl.com/davids-blog/2009/8/25/let-the-97113-protest-begin.html

Look at the various articles in the left hand column of the N5FDL site.

275. RE: Re: 97.113 Petition for Rule Making

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-01 21:23:35 UTC
From: Ross
Topic: 270 Message: 275

Roger,

Could you explain that a little more?

What is it you see that might be a problem?

-----Original Message-----
From: Roger Fraumann <ac8q@fraumann.com>
I urge caution with motions like this, as it might also have
"commitments", clauses and loss of freedom in the Amateur bands.

276. Re: 97.113 Petition for Rule Making

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-06 23:53:55 UTC
From: Roger Fraumann
Topic: 270 Message: 276

All of the following is only my opinion, but tempered with actual experience in disaster areas. It is a *VERY* complex issue. There is NO right or wrong answer, BUT, here are a few examples for caution with proposal for 97.113

One is the issue of mission creep, and the need for all moderated emergency comms to fall under the control of ICS / the EOC. It is extremely bad form for emergency communications to circumvent net-control and/or the EOC. And, frankly, it's typically the "cowboys" that put people at risk in disaster situations.

For some Agencies, the emphasis in their training and SOP is to overwhelming restrict and have NO! "out of channel" communications if possible. And, if communications does occur, then there is always the issue of needing to vet the end points for a level of trust. Amateur radio, either implicitly or explicitly is singled out, or lumped together with CB, FRS, GMRS and other radio services to not be relied on.

Just because you have an FCC license to operate does not mean that you have any vetting with any agency in terms of qualification or clearance. Much like a disaster manager needing to check the credentials of all potential child care workers for their impromptu day care center in an emergency shelter (just in case some sexual predator volunteers to help), the same holds true with any radio volunteer waving an FCC license.

You could also make the case that the proper way to enlist the help of Amateur Radio operators for exercise training and in times of a disaster is not by using their radios, but quite to the contrary, by primarily using their radio knowledge and skills with government supplied equipment. Any use of Amateur Radio equipment, other than for extreme back up situations, can actually weaken a government exercise by hiding the fact that their radio systems are deficient. Amateur radio equipment should be included in a government exercise only as a "back up of last resort", and primarily for the purpose of training disaster workers to recognize the value of Amateur Radio operator skills and capabilities in worst case situations. In that environment, it is essential for the authorities to be trained and instructed to work with Amateur Radio in the way it was intended by 47 CFR Chapter 1 Part 97.1 "Basis and Purpose" which clearly states: "Recognition and enhancement of the value of the amateur service to the public as a voluntary noncommercial communication service, particularly with respect to providing emergency communications."

Meanwhile, the push by commercial radio manufacturers (such as Motorola, which has abandoned Amateur Radio) is to have all command, control and emergency communications systems to be as secure as possible, (particularly since the news media and bad guys discovered scanners and/or jammers a long time ago.) Hence there is a push by the manufacturers to sell new "closed" radio systems, and the Authorities are paying big dollars for these "one size fits all" systems. The single greatest problem being, of course, that these systems are designed for "arm chair operators" to use, and have little to no true flexibility. And, almost certainly, the entire "Communications Budget" is spent on the radios and not on deep technical electronics and radio theory and operational training. Even antenna systems are often shortchanged. This can be highly embarrassing when it fails, and the last thing authorities want to have the media (or anyone else) know is that they are not in charge, and their expensive systems are not working.

The reason why the late Walter Cronkite, KB2GSD said "Amateur radio is the only fail safe communication system in the world." is precisely because it is NOT government controlled, moderated, and throttled at the very moment when it is needed the most. It was interesting to note that for a time during Katrina, the only working form of communications between the mayor of New Orleans and the President of the United States was over Amateur Radio. Yet, there has been virtually no recognition or move by the Authorities to recognize and leverage the benefits of Amateur Radio. In particular, if the Authorities truly considered Amateur Radio as an asset, there would be significant measures taken to ensure future generations were encouraged to become licensed, trained and to buy and maintain their own equipment and antennas.

To take the "devil's advocate approach", it would be a logical extension in times of potential civil disturbance, for government agencies to mandate confiscation of all radios (in particular but not limited to transmitters) in time of an emergency and shut down all non-essential / unauthorized use of the Amateur Radio and other bands to maintain control. Frequently in a disaster area when It's discovered that you are an "Amateur", you will probably be told to stop using your radio because of the (likely unfounded) potential of interference or security/privacy leaks. (I have been.)

Walking into a disaster area with a working radio is kind of like walking in with an Open Carry gun on your hip. The precedent was set with the mandate to confiscate all guns in New Orleans --- even to the point of the Police breaking and entering without warrant and confiscating whatever and whenever they wanted to.
http://www.google.com/search?hl=en&source=hp&q=new+orleans+gun+confiscation+video&aq=0&oq=%22New+Orleans%22+gun+confiscation&aqi=g1g-m1

You should expect that there are times in a disaster area, when there is a need for a working laptop, printer and other technology, that it may be commandeered, and of course you should expect the same for a

working radio. Either the radio is an asset for the person in authority, or is probably a potential threat simply because most authorities in the disaster arena don't know what you are doing with the radio, they don't know who you are, and all they do know is that you are not connected to their ICS. It is almost never viewed as a neutral.

The only valid reason first responders and other agents want to be equipped with gear that works on Amateur Radio bands is because they know that the 900/800 MHZ trunked and/or satellite "Fair Weather" communications systems are very limited in actual function under less than ideal conditions... Just see what happens when you go indoors!

They know the Amateur Radio operators typically know a lot more about radio communications than the average government/first responder user, and they know that most of our stuff works, and when our gear doesn't work that there are some more experienced Amateurs who know how to make it work. That can unsettle those in charge, because they are responsible to be in control of their area of responsibility. Much like how DHS Head Napolitano has successfully declared military vets are a class of potential terrorists (which is a position that continues to be supported by the President and is reflected by the fact that Napolitano has remained in office), you can be assured any fully qualified radio operator can be considered just as much a potential threat as a potential asset in times of a Federally Declared Disaster.

It is hard to say, but perhaps the single greatest lobby against the use of Amateur Radio for training for disasters will be found by looking where all the DHS money is going for disaster radios and communications. And the single greatest internal resistance against Amateur Radio is likely by those approving the funds and purchases, as well as those who are in need for control in a disaster situation. In particular, by making "software radios" that walk all over many frequencies, in particular the Amateur Bands, the commercial interests are finally benefitting from Amateur Radio but only by taking over the spectrum. And by doing so, the last thing they are likely to want are knowledgeable Amateur Radio operators objecting or getting in the way. This flies in the face of the fact that the principal benefit of having an Amateur Radio community is the quality of the radio knowledge and operators, not the radios. But commercial interests gain no benefit for an Amateur Radio operators skill set.

So, in summary, what's the benefit for Amateur Radio operators? At the risk of losing more, if not all, radio privileges in times of an actual disaster, what is the upside? I have yet to see the FCC or a senior Federal, State, County or City elected official aggressively act on protecting the right for Amateur Radio Antennas, in particular within community-covenant-deed restricted property areas (which now cover more than 50% of housing in America). And, I have yet to see the FCC or any senior Federal, State, County or City elected official

aggressively act on restricting or eliminating sources of mass radio frequency jammers such as BPL and most "power-line" capable Ethernet extender devices. Much to the contrary, we only have to go to Poway to see ample evidence that those in authority are willfully restricting any Amateur Radio emergency capability as much as they can.

While I believe all of the above to be true, that does not diminish my support for the preparation, training and use of Amateur Radio for training and in disasters. Only there is much to be done in burnishing and defending Amateur Radio from potential misunderstanding and abuse. And, there is a great need for those in authority to recognize the great value and potential that a well training and equipped Amateur Radio operator represents to the community. When Amateur Radio is singled out and promoted by all levels of Government and community leaders as an essential asset for the community and not a pariah, then the community will better understand and appreciate the value of Amateur Radio for both it's young and old, as well as times of emergency.

73,
+Roger
AC8Q

277. Re: [SDGARES-2009] Re: 97.113 Petition for Rule Making

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-09 17:39:53 UTC
From: Earl Towson
Topic: 270 Message: 277

Excellent - well thought out. I can only add that some of the pressure we are seeing on amateur radio is coming from the commercial IS industry that would like our frequencies and the potential contracts that they could gain... N1QI

----- Original Message -----
From: Roger Fraumann
Re: 97.113 Petition for Rule Making

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278. Communications Plan

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-10 22:42:34 UTC
From: Art Hochberg
Topic: 278 Message: 278
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Attached is a comm plan from Monroe County, Indiana ARES-RACES. It has some good sections on response and training that may be worthwhile including in our Plan. Your comments would be welcome.

Art Hochberg
KI6LAQ

279. [SDG-ARES-2010] SDGARES-2009 group name/addresses have changed

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-13 09:39:07 UTC
From: notify@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 279 Message: 279

Hello,

The moderator of the SDGARES-2009 group has changed the group's name. This means that both the group's email address and the group home page location have changed.

The group email address:
SDG-ARES-2010@yahoogroups.com

The group home page location:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDG-ARES-2010

If you have links which point to this group or an address book entry for the group, you should update them, as the old addresses will no longer work.

Regards,

Yahoo! Groups Customer Care

280. SDG Section Manager 2010 Election

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-13 15:55:00 UTC
From: SDG-ARES-2010
Topic: 280 Message: 280

Folks,

I believe that the SDG ARRL Section Manager election is
January-February 2010.

The ARRL rules are here -- http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/smterms.html

If I am reading this right, ballots will be mailed out on Jan 2, 2010
and must be received back in CT by Friday, Feb 19, 2010.

Please let me know if I have misread anything here.

So, the question is -- who is running for SDG SM? What have you heard?

I have heard that Steve Early, AD6VI, is planning to run for a second
two-year term.

Is anyone else running? Have you heard any names?

Please feel free to reply privately to me at -->> N6MD@...

Or, post your message publicly for others to read.
Post a public message by sending an email to this address -->>
SDG-ARES-2010@yahoogroups.com

Read messages here -- http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDG-ARES-2010/messages

To stay informed about the 2010 SDG SM election, please join this
online discussion group -- http://groups.yahoo.com/group/sdg-ares-2010/join
And please invite other SDG section members to do the same.

If you wish join ARRL or renew your membership,
look here -- https://www.arrl.org/forms/membership/

You must be a current, paid up ARRL member to vote in the SM election.

73,

-- Kurt, N6MD
Lake Hodges and Julian
http://www.qrz.com/db/N6MD/

P.S. Before anyone asks, I am an independent free-lance writer / blogger.
I am not a candidate and I will not publicly support any individual candidate.
Our groups's main goal is accurate, unbiased information and education.

282. Re: SDG Section Manager 2010 Election

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-13 16:46:46 UTC
From: madjl@aol.com
Topic: 280 Message: 282

I don't know of anyone else running. My husband and I live in Boulevard, CA. We are active in SANDARC-VE. I don't think anyone can do a better job then Steve Early. My husband and I know all that this person does in the name of Amateur Radio. He gives Tech and Gen. Classes free to those interested in getting into Amateur Radio. He really dose a lot for ARRL. I Think if he plans on running again, we should back him and be thankful he does what he does. Lynne KI6PLG

283. FREE Technician License Class - Nov 14, 2009 - 8am to 6pm (also in Dec)

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-13 17:35:38 UTC
From: Escondido CERT ARC
Topic: 283 Message: 283

If you have FRIENDS or FAMILY who would like to earn their Technician license, here are three FREE classes.

-- Saturday, November 14, west of the Rancho Bernardo Road exit of I-15 (16930 Four Gee Road).

-- Saturday, December 5, 5555 Overland Ave, Building 19, San Diego.

-- Saturday, December 12, on Jamacha Road near Hwy 54 south of El Cajon.

Read all the details here... http://campofire.org/disaster/

284. Re: [SDG-ARES-2010] Re: SDG Section Manager 2010 Election

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-13 18:26:37 UTC
From: David Doan
Topic: 280 Message: 284

ARES has been seriously handicapped because we have been without a Section Emergency Coordinator for the last two years. For that matter, do we have any active DEC's?

I would like to ask any and all candidates for Section Manager how they intend to fill those positions.

- David
- kc6yso
- Past SEC, San Diego Section

285. Re: [SDG-ARES-2010] Re: SDG Section Manager 2010 Election

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-13 22:43:36 UTC
From: Ross Bartlett
Topic: 280 Message: 285

In the last two years ARES has had new members and people considering joining.?Maybe you should explain the positions you are talking about so we could all learn about those positions and maybe consider helping. Ross KI6HSI

--- On Fri, 11/13/09, David Doan <ddoan73@...> wrote:

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- Past SEC, San Diego Section

286. Re: [SDG-ARES-2010] Re: SDG Section Manager 2010 Election

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-14 06:30:42 UTC
From: David Doan
Topic: 280 Message: 286

The official descriptions of the positions of Section
Emergency Coordinator and District Emergency Coordinator
may be found at:

http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/sec.html
http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/dec.html

A prerequisite for both of these positions is full
membership in the ARRL.

A brief introduction to the ARRL Field Services is at:

http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/org/

The complete Public Service Communications Manual, which
describes the Amateur Radio Emergency Service and also
the National Traffic System is available at

http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/pscm/

Hope this helps!

- David
- kc6yso
- Past SEC, San Diego Section

On Nov 13, 2009, at 2:43 PM, Ross Bartlett wrote:

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> considering joining. Maybe you should explain the positions you are
> talking about so we could all learn about those positions and maybe
> consider helping. Ross KI6HSI

287. Interesting Television Program on Sunday 11/15/09

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-14 14:46:04 UTC
From: Kurt
Topic: 287 Message: 287

Check out this message...

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DisasterWatch_Discussion/message/415

288. Re: [SDG-ARES-2010] Interesting Television Program on Sunday 11/15/09

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-15 00:23:55 UTC
From: Earl Towson
Topic: 287 Message: 288

The explosion of a 'dirty bomb' is produced by conventional explosives that disperse radioactive material; thus its immediate kill radius is similar to that produced by conventional explosives with the addition that a few in the vicinity may incur a high radiation dosage (the moral being don't run into the 'hot zone' and stay). It's real damage is physiological as a huge amount have to be spent to 'clean' it up and the no one wants to live or work in that area - people will refuse to believe that it is safe to re-enter...
EARL / N1QI

289. Re: SDG Section Manager 2010 Election

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-15 16:18:24 UTC
From: N6MD@arrl.net
Topic: 280 Message: 289

--- In SDG-ARES-2010@yahoogroups.com, David Doan wrote:
> ARES has been seriously handicapped because we have been without a
> Section Emergency Coordinator for the last two years. For that
> matter, do we have any active DEC's?
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> they intend to fill those positions.

Thanks, David.

I have asked around and so far there is only one declared SDG SM candidate, the incumbent Steve Early, AD6VI.

At the ARES meeting on Saturday 11/14/09, Steve once again asked if anyone know of anyone who was willing to take the job of SEC. There were no suggestions from the room. Steve reported that he has been looking for a qualified person for a year and has been unable to find anyone.

There was no mention of any DEC's.

73,

-- Kurt, N6MD

290. Controlled Burn Wednesday 11/18/2009 - Cuyamaca Middle Peak

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-17 21:12:24 UTC
From: N6MD Kurt Barnhart
Topic: 290 Message: 290

November 17, 2009 (Cuyamaca) -- Personnel from Cuyamaca Rancho State Park, in cooperation with CAL FIRE, will conduct a controlled burn on Middle Peak north of Cuyamaca Peak on Wednesday, November 18.

Smoke and flames will be visible from many areas in the county due to high altitude location. Residents in Ramona will have an especially clear view, although the burn is many miles away. The burn will begin about 9 a.m. and should conclude by 4 p.m., with patrol operations continuing for several days. Due to many dead trees in the burn area, smoke may continue to be visible for several days after the burn is completed.

The purpose of this burn is to clear 70 acres of vegetation and make the area ready for planting of 20,000 tree seedlings early next year as part of ongoing reforestation efforts in the Park. Additional details about this burn, as well as info on controversies over controlled burns, are available at:
<http://rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1102830951144&s=30527&e=0013ltsJ6BgAJ3alUK7H4dVCQA5Zeh_pHU743UaRpOE_aty_7aezIZvvnMH1wWovUTzgWRHh-lcN93veTgEDc8ppZ9j1DSj_LCkFlGkE_mMqVOPpRBR8QJTQX06EOP3gyNd>www.eastcountymagazine.org.

291. Re: SDG Section Manager 2010 Election

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-15 16:33:21 UTC
From: Kurt
Topic: 280 Message: 291

--- In SDG-ARES-2010@yahoogroups.com, David Doan wrote:
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Thanks, David.

Would you please elaborate on that (in a polite way)?

My perspective was that ARES has been affected by a general drop in the number of ARES volunteers across the county and no new, facinating or compelling activities to capture people's imaginations.

If we had an active SEC, how do you visualize that this situation would be different?

San Diego County is larger than someting like 22 states. Would it be easier to manage if the County was divided up into three or four pieces, each managed by a DEC instead of one SEC for the entire section? Maybe north, south and east? Or north coastal, south costal, north inland, south inland districts?

I am wondering whether people are reluctant to volunteer to be SEC because it is such a big (and unpaid) job? Would it be better to have four DEC's instead?

73,

-- Kurt, N6MD

292. Re: SDG Section Manager 2010 Election

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-18 01:23:42 UTC
From: rkemp74622@aol.com
Topic: 280 Message: 292

Sounds like someone needs to put their money where their mouth is. I myself would just love to get back into being an Ass't. S.E.C.as I was with both Steve and Mitch before him. Problem was, I had too many physical and other problems and kept ending up at the VA Hospital or Mercy Hospital. I've finally got a clean bill of health, although I'm still classified as a 100% combat disabled vet. I would be happy now, to assist whomever would like to run for or continue to be S.E.C. I do have a dossier that goes back to the early Seventies.(Third Army, Army Mars Emergency Coordinator, Fort McPherson, Ga., Written up in Q.S.T. for the Zinia, Ohio series of tornadoes; Boulder, Gilpin Co.s, Colorado E.C. in early 80s; Denver Metro Skywarn spotter and liaison in the N.W.S. EOC, Boulder in late 90's-early 2000's, etc.).

Yours,

Bob Kemp - WA4CHI,

ARRL - SDDXC - SDGARES

-----Original Message-----

From: Kurt <lakehodgesradio@...>

To: SDG-ARES-2010@yahoogroups.com

Sent: Sun, Nov 15, 2009 8:33 am

Subject: [SDG-ARES-2010] Re: SDG Section Manager 2010 Election

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-- Kurt, N6MD

293. Re: SDG Section Manager 2010 Election

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-18 00:11:48 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NF9T
Topic: 280 Message: 293

A few years back, we had just the system you are describing.

In the section, there were 5 DECS and a SEC. The districts were Central, Northern, Southern and Eastern. We also had one for Imperial Valley.

Was it perfect, of course not, but we were able to work closely with each district. I would like to see the section go back to something like that, but can it happen.

I no longer live in the San Diego area, but I still care about what happens in the area. I want to see nothing but the best for the San Diego section.

Tuck NF9T

294. Re: [SDG-ARES-2010] Re: SDG Section Manager 2010 Election

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-18 18:08:51 UTC
From: David Doan
Topic: 280 Message: 294

Kurt -

I recommend a thorough reading of the ARRL documents on the Field Organization, and the various job descriptions. They may be found at:

http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/

and links from this page.

Also, the ARRL Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws and Rules and Regulations which may be found at:

http://www.arrl.org/aabl.html

have information which may be useful.

The basic reasons, of course, are division of labor and span of control. One person can't do it all. One person cannot effectively manage more that 5 - 7 other people. This is true in most any organization.

The San Diego Section consists of San Diego and Imperial Counties. It is small compare to most other Sections. The SEC has overall management responsibilities for Emergency and Public Service Communication for the whole Section. San Diego and Imperial Counties present very different situations and challenges. The geographical differences are obvious. Imperial County has a combined ARES / RACES organization. San Diego County has separate RACES and ARES organizations. So for starters, it makes sense to have at least one DEC for each County.

Historically, San Diego had 4 DEC's and Imperial had (and has) one. Four sometimes seemed like it was too many. One needs to consider what areas have common problems and interests, and also what the service area boundaries are for the agencies we might serve. When I was SEC, ARES main customer was the Red Cross. The San Diego / Imperial Chapter had the same boundaries as the Section. So that worked out well.

Another thing to consider is where the Clubs are from which ARES can draw members. And here we hit a problem, because there is no major, full service club in the City of San Diego. The Central District, which at that time had boundaries which basically followed the San Diego City

Limits, had trouble attracting new members, because there was no club to recruit from.

You spoke of the activities which captured people's imaginations. We used to have a fair degree of success in using Public Service Events for this purpose. There were a variety of them, requiring varying degrees of commitment and expertise. The ranged from support of the "I Love a Clean San Diego" beach cleanup, to the 50 and 100 mile trail runs. Many of the beach sites, though not all of them, could be done with a handitalkie. For a while, 75 m SSB using NVIS antennas was used for the trail runs. Special Olympics used packet.

These events provided something to keep ARES members interested and involved. They provided field practice with a number of different modes, deployed in real world conditions. And perhaps most importantly, they built camaraderie and team spirit. ARES doesn't do this anymore, because no one has stepped forward to lead it. And the Section Manager, no matter who he is, can't do all this by himself.

So it's a conundrum. The world has changed. The Red Cross no longer depends on ARES. The hospitals have a mandate to include us in their disaster plans, but in all the years I have been involved with ARES, they have never called us out! CERT teams have a lot of their people licensed, but one wonders whether one person can be effective at CERT activities AND be a communicator. Homeland Security and FEMA add a new layer of bureaucracy that we have to deal with.

On the one hand, I don't blame anyone for not wanting to get involved at a leadership level. It's a mess. I've been there, done that, and I'm burned out. I don't want to do it again! But on the other hand, if we don't find people willing and capable of taking the jobs of SEC and DEC, and doing those jobs because they want to serve the community, and not for some ulterior motive, we're not going to be of much service to anybody.

- David
- kc6yso
- Past SEC, San Diego Section

On Nov 15, 2009, at 8:33 AM, Kurt wrote:
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295. RE: [SDG-ARES-2010] Re: SDG Section Manager 2010 Election

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-18 18:31:34 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 280 Message: 295

The Section was more recently restructured (2007) into 4 Districts + Imperial when due to lack of participation in the South that Central and Southern Districts were merged into one.

I do believe that a couple but not all of the DEC positions may have appointees albeit they seem to be pretty quiet.

The lack of SEC leaves a major hole in the management structure of ARES as no one is visibly dedicating full time to running the organization so the organization has suffered.

As recently as 2007,there were 340 Members in SDGARES, but that number plunged to less than 50 during political upheavals prior to Steve's election. Steve did a marvelous job of removing the prior political tensions and has rebuilt some of those numbers but without a full time SEC, SDG ARES has been slow to recover membership.

Answers to Most of these organizational questions is available in the Institutional Memory of SDGARES. The Institutional Memory contains the combined wisdom and experience of SDG ARES for the past 50 years. There is really no need to reinvent the wheel as others have already done all the work. The Institutional Memory had All details of SDG ARES operations and a complete ARES operations manual and command structure. The Institutional Memory used to be part of the SDGARES.ORG web site.

Steve was given a CD with all the Institutional Memory of all the manuals and web sites when he took office in 2008.

I would hope that Steve finally finds competent help to assist him in making that information available to everyone again.

296. 2009 Field Day Results

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-11-18 18:09:25 UTC
From: PatB
Topic: 296 Message: 296

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Per Dec QST

San Diego Section Field Day results

Club or entity-------Callsign used --- Pts --- participants
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Class 1A
SPAWAR TEAM----------K6AM------------ 9510---------7----1st in Country!!!

Class 2A
3 Guys & a Girl------WN6K-------------6180---------4
Esconido ARS---------N6SD(+N6WB)------6170---------50
West Coast CW Boys---K6VWL(+KT6L)-----848----------3

Class 3A
Palomar ARC----------W6NWG(+WD6FWE)---2686---------45
Convair/220 Club-----W6UUS------------2474---------14
Fallbrook ARC--------N6FQ-------------1616---------59

Class 4A
SOBARS---------------K6QM(+KF6ZBF)----1654---------12

Class 9A
ARC of El Cajon------WA6BGS-----------1263---------120

Class 1B-1 op-Battery
??-------------------K6AR-------------1160---------1

Class 1B-1 op
??-------------------KC2CHN---------234----------1

Class 1B-2 op
??-------------------WB9COY-----------4990---------2-----2nd in Country!!!
??-------------------WW6CW------------194----------2

Class 1C
??-------------------AF6AV/M----------354----------1

CLASS 1D
??-------------------WB9GHD-----------506----------1
??-------------------AE6IC------------304----------1
??-------------------AF6NI------------164----------1
??-------------------KJ6VX------------84-----------1

CLASS 2D
San Diego DX Club----W6PT-------------3960---------5------1st in Country!!!
??-------------------KK6I-------------568----------3
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CLASS 1E
??-------------------K6ZH-------------2446---------2
??-------------------WA6L-------------790----------1
??-------------------KF6ROE-----------332----------1
??-------------------AK6QJ------------100----------1

CLASS 1F
SDG/IMPL RED CROSS---W6RDX-------------330----------17

CLASS 2F
IMPL CTY ARES/RACES--W6ICR------------3514---------20
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297. SDG SM 2010-2012

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-12-05 06:53:13 UTC
From: Kurt
Topic: 297 Message: 297

No nominating petitions for SDG SM other that AD6VI were received at ARRL HQ by today's deadline, so Steve has another two-year term with no election.

73, N6MD

298. Re: [SDG-ARES-2010] SDG SM 2010-2012

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-12-05 10:21:53 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 297 Message: 298

Congratulations Steve

299. FW: Draft Negative Declaration and Revised Draft for Amateur Radio Communication Amendments (Project 193688)

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-12-09 18:03:02 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 299 Message: 299

Maybe it is time for the ARRL and our Section Manager to
get more involved in this important matter.....

The latest draft San Diego antenna banning legislation is even worse than the original...
from last year... and, they give us virtually no time to respond....

From: Lee, Amanda [mailto:AJohnsonLee@...] On Behalf Of DSD LDC
Team
Sent: Wednesday, December 09, 2009 9:03 AM
To: DSD LDC Team
Subject: Draft Negative Declaration and Revised Draft for Amateur Radio
Communication Amendments (Project 193688)

Please find the latest documents for the draft Amateur Radio
Communication Amendments in process. It is anticipated that the draft
amendments will be presented to the Planning Commission for a
recommendation hearing in February 2010. Public hearings with the City
Council and Coastal Commission will follow.

Link to the draft Negative Declaration:

http://docs.sandiego.gov/citybulletin_publicnotices/CEQA/PN1300%25231936
88nd%252012%252008%25202009.pdf

Comments on the draft Negative Declaration may be submitted to
jszymanski@... by December 28, 2009.

Link to Project Description and Revised Draft Code Language:

http://www.sandiego.gov/development-services/industry/amateuradio.shtml

If you have any questions related to this project, please contact Amanda
Lee at (619) 446-5367 or ajohnsonlee@...

300. Re: Draft Negative Declaration and Revised Draft for Amateur Radio Communication Amendments (Project 193688)

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-12-10 05:37:41 UTC
From: GAYLE OLSON
Topic: 299 Message: 300

Don't forget Poway and the thousand dollar dipole.....
Gayle Olson
K6GO

301. Re: Draft Negative Declaration and Revised Draft for Amateur Radio Communication Amendments (Project 193688)

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-12-10 16:16:18 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 299 Message: 301
Attachments: 2 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Gayle:

I agree that Poway is part of the same systemic anti-antenna mindset that exists in San Diego and needs to be addressed as well.

Up to now we have had very little support from either the ARRL or SANDARC and as you are aware the members of the San Diego DX Club have borne virtually all of the financial burden.

SANDARC is sitting on about $50K that they earmark for a quadrennial convention and seem to be unwilling to consider loosening the purse strings to deal with this issue in spite of the fact that they are constitutionally obligated to protect the interests of San Diego County Hams.

ARRL has paid lip service but really has not been involved other than their General Counsel Chris Imlay writing an Amicus Brief.

Our ARRL Section Manager seems to have other priorities.

Probably the best thing all of us can do, is to bother the ARRL, our Section Manager and SANDARC to make them aware that they need to provide financial and other support…. Or soon no one will be able to put up antennas….

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Howard S. White Ph.D. P. Eng., VE3GFW/K6 ex-AE6SM KY6LA

Email: ky6la@ky6la.com <mailto:ky6la@ky6la.com>
Website: www.ky6la.com <http://www.ky6la.com/>
"No Good Deed Goes Unpunished"
"Ham Antennas Save Lives - Katrina, 2003 & 2007 San Diego Fires, 911"

From: SDG-ARES-2010@yahoogroups.com [mailto:SDG-ARES-2010@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of GAYLE OLSON
Sent: Wednesday, December 09, 2009 9:38 PM
To: SDG-ARES-2010@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [SDG-ARES-2010] Re: Draft Negative Declaration and Revised Draft for Amateur Radio Communication Amendments (Project 193688)

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302. ARLB037 Amateur Radio Bill Passes Senate, Moves to the House

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-12-16 19:25:39 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 302 Message: 302

This is good news for people with CC&R's and other antenna restrictions

This bill directs to the Department of Homeland Security to undertake a study of the Impediments to using Amateur Radio for Emergencies. It will give particular emphasis to the role that CC&R's and other antenna restrictions play in reducing emergency communications effectiveness. It may end up with a recommendation that Congress void CC&R Antenna Restrictions just like they did for Satellite Dish Antennas under the Over The Air Receiving Devices (OTARD) regulations. It could also give us more legal ammunition in the fight against unreasonable antenna restrictions such as those currently being proposed by San Diego...

Lets hope it passes the House soon.

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ARLB037 Amateur Radio Bill Passes Senate, Moves to the House

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ARRL Bulletin 37 ARLB037
From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT December 16, 2009
To all radio amateurs

SB QST ARL ARLB037
ARLB037 Amateur Radio Bill Passes Senate, Moves to the House

On Monday, December 14, S 1755 -- The Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Act of 2009 -- passed the Senate by unanimous consent; the bill now goes to the House of Representatives for consideration. Sponsored by Senator Joe Lieberman (ID-CT), and Senator Susan Collins (R-ME), S 1755, if passed, would direct the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to undertake a study on emergency communications.

S 1755 points out that "There is a strong Federal interest in the effective performance of Amateur Radio Service stations, and that performance must be given -- (A) support at all levels of government; and (B) protection against unreasonable regulation and impediments to the provision of the valuable communications provided by such stations."

Members of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee considered S 1755 on December 10. After it passed through Committee, it was placed on the Senate's calendar to be voted on. "We are grateful to Committee Chairman Lieberman and Ranking Member Collins for sponsoring the bill and arranging for its swift

consideration and passage by the Senate," said ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ.

Similar in language to HR 2160 (also called The Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Enhancement Act of 2009 that was introduced this past April by Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee [D-TX-18]), S 1755 calls on DHS to undertake a study on the uses and capabilities of Amateur Radio Service communications in emergencies and disaster relief and then to submit a report to Congress no more than 180 days after the bill becomes law. The study shall:

Include a review of the importance of Amateur Radio emergency communications in furtherance of homeland security missions relating to disasters, severe weather and other threats to lives and property in the United States, as well as recommendations for enhancements in the voluntary deployment of Amateur Radio licensees in disaster and emergency communications and disaster relief efforts and improved integration of Amateur Radio operators in planning and furtherance of the Department of Homeland Security initiatives.

Identify impediments to enhanced Amateur Radio Service communications, such as the effects of unreasonable or unnecessary private land use regulations on residential antenna installations; and make recommendations regarding such impediments for consideration by other federal departments, agencies and Congress.

In conducting the study, S 1755 directs the Secretary of Homeland Security to "utilize the expertise of stakeholder entities and organizations, including the Amateur Radio, emergency response and disaster communications communities."

S 1755 makes note of the fact that Section 1 of the Joint Resolution entitled Joint Resolution to Recognize the Achievements of Radio Amateurs, and To Establish Support for Such Amateurs as National Policy -- approved October 22, 1994 (Public Law 103-408) -- included a finding that stated: "Reasonable accommodation should be made for the effective operation of Amateur Radio from residences, private vehicles and public areas, and the regulation at all levels of government should facilitate and encourage amateur radio operations as a public benefit."

The bill also pointed out that Section 1805(c) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 757(c)) directs the Regional Emergency Communications Coordinating Working Group of the Department of Homeland Security to coordinate their activities with ham and Amateur Radio operators among the 11 other emergency organizations, such as ambulance services, law enforcement and others.
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303. Grumpy Old Hams

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2009-12-28 18:45:20 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 303 Message: 303

Plagiarized from John WA6L

I am not relatively new to Ham Radio, being licensed in 1958.

Even so, I have seen a lot of changes take place in our hobby.

In my opinion, most of the changes have been for the better (such as the elimination of CW as an Entry Barrier - albeit 40 years too late) and a few for the worse (Incentive Licensing with increased CW barriers that almost destroyed ham radio in the 60's).

However, as I see it, the biggest threat to our beloved hobby is not from the ARRL or the FCC. It is from within.

It is from an aging demographic that is doing its best to prevent the growth and evolution of Ham Radio.

Do you fit into this category? Here is a checklist.

1. Are you convinced that Ham radio is worse off now than it was 20 years ago or 40 years ago?
2. Do you think that Hams who are licensed today are not as good, not as technically competent, and not as dedicated as they used to be?
3. Do you think that the "younger generation" lacks important values?
4. Do you think that most changes to our hobby are a bad thing?
5. Do you obsess over small on-the-air transgressions?

6. Do you obsess that most new hams are "CERT" hams primarily interested in Emergency Communications?

7. Do you obsess that most new hams are "Techs" with little knowledge of or interest in DX?

If you are honest and are answering most of these with a "yes," then you are part of the problem.

You are officially a "grumpy old man." You are not preserving Ham Radio. You are preventing it from growing and moving on to whatever it is destined to become.

If you can't be welcoming, if you can't be encouraging, and if you can't adapt to the inevitable changes taking place in our hobby, then it is time to get out of the way. Let the new Hams have their shot at it. We need them, but times and technology have changed so we don't need them to be carbon-copies of us old guys.

They will take the hobby to new and better places if we just let them.

73,

Howard KY6LA

304. [sddxcnews] Voice of San Diego antenna article

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-01-13 19:20:19 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 304 Message: 304

Good article on Ham Antennas and How the City of San Diego is trying to sneak around Federal and State protections in order to ban ham antennas.

http://voiceofsandiego.org/neighborhoods/article_502c2c9c-fffd-11de-bb2f-001cc4c002e0.html

305. Ham Radio Haiti Relief Efforts Live over the Internet

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-01-14 20:52:45 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 305 Message: 305

If you want to hear the Ham Radio relief efforts radio traffic to Haiti

Salvation Army Net

http://www.radioreference.com/apps/audio/?stid=283

Floater HF Communications Net

http://www.radioreference.com/apps/audio/?feedId=3578

Maritime Mobile Net (14300)

http://www.radioreference.com/apps/audio/?feedId=3581

Haiti VHF Traffic Net

http://www.radioreference.com/apps/audio/?feedId=3591

These are several live transmissions being rebroadcast to the Internet.

Currently at least one station is operating Father John HH6JH but a couple of more seem to be getting on the air with battery power or generators.

Howard S. White Ph.D. P. Eng., KY6LA

Website: www.ky6la.com

"No Good Deed Goes Unpunished"

"Ham Antennas Save Lives - Katrina, 2003 & 2007 San Diego Fires, 911"

306. Ham Radio Traffic from Haiti

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-01-20 06:13:55 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 306 Message: 306

The YouTube Link is real Ham Radio Traffic from HH2JR in Haiti.

From: Ted Storke [mailto:ts570@...]
Sent: Tuesday, January 19, 2010 9:56 PM
To: Alf Pettersen
Subject: Fw: To help

For those of you who only see our antennas as a big ugly thing in your neighborhood, well I think you need to watch this video. The ham radio operators around the world are not just out there to have fun. When someone in this world needs help We step up to the plate and lend a hand in one of the ways we know best.

Listen to the operator in Florida. "What can I do for you"

"I will place a call anywhere in the world for you No Charge." Our antennas are not there Just to Have Fun.

What can I say, it speaks for it's self. What Amateur radio can do.
This was forwarded to me from
JOE/ N0OLE

YouTube - Haiti Earthquake Report Via Amateur Radio
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JqaKzIkyBug>

Ted /KD6AKT
Friendship Through Amateur Radio

307. Re: [sddxcnews] Ham Radio Traffic from Haiti

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-01-20 18:19:04 UTC
From: pushed66705@mypacks.net
Topic: 307 Message: 307

One thing they requested from Haiti was ''please don't send FEMA!""

-----Original Message-----
>From: "Howard S. White" <drpaper@...>
>Sent: Jan 20, 2010 1:13 AM
>To: sddxcnews@yahoogroups.com, "SDDisasterDefense@yahoogroups" <SDDisasterDefense@yahoogroups.com>, SDG-ARES-2010@yahoogroups.com, sdsixshooters@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [sddxcnews] Ham Radio Traffic from Haiti
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>The YouTube Link is real Ham Radio Traffic from HH2JR in Haiti.
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>From: Ted Storke [mailto:ts570@...]
>Sent: Tuesday, January 19, 2010 9:56 PM
>To: Alf Pettersen
>Subject: Fw: To help
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>For those of you who only see our antennas as a big ugly thing in your
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>Ted /KD6AKT

>Friendship Through Amateur Radio
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308. FW: San Diego DX Club - ARRL Section E-Letter - From Steve Early, ARRL Section Manager

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-02 01:57:37 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 308 Message: 308

PLEASE FORWARD TO EVERY HAM YOU KNOW IN SAN DIEGO

From: Steve Early [mailto:jcharest@katzandassociates.com]
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 12:21 PM
To: Howard S. White
Subject: San Diego DX Club Section E-Letter

You're receiving this email because of your relationship with the San Diego DX Club. Please your continued interest in receiving email from us.

<http://rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1102976651032&s=22&e=001nMEdKvFaj84kCsF2mLVhTdzYbdT4DLZ1gu07cQMTW4Xk44ry341ZVpMhc8AfmEPV9K43NMtPMwXoBraDGAYDPUlkDTRHy8n20zd0Iu_vqoE=> San Diego DX Club logo San Diego DX Club

ACTION ALERT

Quick Links

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To all San Diego Section Radio Amateurs,

The City of San Diego is preparing to enact an ordinance in violation of California and Federal law that would severely limit antenna height in parts of the city and potentially eliminate outside antennas altogether in the rest. Given the city's size and prominence, passage of a highly restrictive amateur radio tower and antenna ordinance here could lead to similarly harsh measures in outlying cities, the County as a whole, and other jurisdictions nationally. We must convince the City to pass a legal and sensible ordinance.

To do that, we are asking as many radio amateurs as possible to directly contact, via e-mail, letter or phone call (or all three!), the office of the council person in which they live and also the Mayor's office. We also need volunteers from each council districtto accompany a team in meeting face-to-face with these elected officials.

We are asking each of you to hammer away at three important messages, expressed in your own words:

1. The City of San Diego has drafted a restrictive, prohibitively expensive and onerous ordinance that would severely damage San Diego's Amateur Radio community and, with it, an important part of the region's emergency communication capability. This regulation, if adopted, could create radio reception and transmission "black holes" in the City. VHF, UHF and HF antennas within the City will be substantially less able to communicate by line of sight with other amateur stations, police, fire and NGOs throughout the County in cases of wildfires, flash floods, earthquakes and similar natural or man-made disasters, placing residents at risk.

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A group of concerned hams and attorneys in San Diego, with ARRL assistance, has tried working with City staff to develop a reasonable ordinance proposal - one that everyone can live with. BUT NOW IT'S CRUNCH-TIME. City planners are moving ahead with their agenda. Whether your interests are casual operating, public service, CERT, EMCOMM, DXing, contesting, or antenna experimenting, we need you to get involved in order to stop the City from imposing this unjust ordinance. We all need a reasonable, legal ordinance now so hams won't have to litigate in the future.

We are asking for volunteers to approach their City Council members, to attend meetings, to stuff envelopes, and to speak about the issue with other interested parties (e.g. EMCOMM professionals). We can provide professional assistance to help you do this, and we welcome YOUR ideas, too!

If you can help, please reply ASAP to this email, or send a message to Section Manager Steve Early at ad6vi@arrl.org indicating your name, callsign, address, and telephone number. We will prepare you from there.

If you know active hams who are not ARRL members and don't receive Section e-mailings, please forward this letter <http://ui.constantcontact.com/sa/fwtf.jsp?m=1102973768617&a=1102976651032&ea=drpaper%40kleega.com> to them and ask for their help and ideas. We are working for the benefit of all amateurs operators!

Along the left sidebar is contact information for the San Diego City Council and Mayor. If you do not know which council district you are in, you can find out at http://www.sandiego.gov/citycouncil/ <http://rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1102976651032&s=22&e=001nMEdKvFaj87tNJ4Ane6_b7sYplsKs8p-C_TaUjxvvm129-yae9yH2l5KejLZYwSPwpVBvGY0VZ2JKOWJXiDj9cZYbuDA9OEMFox5JwhRnIN5h_Q59z2RrxPjYdIRJc5-> . We soon will send some messaging information to help you develop a short, one or two paragraph letter.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this important situation.

Sincerely,

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309. FW: Fight San Diego's Disastrous Proposed Ordinance - Letter #2

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-03 00:32:22 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 309 Message: 309

This letter explains the background. Please get your friends to write letters to City Council

From: Steve Early [mailto:ad6vi@arrl.org]
Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 9:31 AM
To: Howard S. White
Subject: Fight San Diego's Disastrous Proposed Ordinance

You're receiving this email because of your relationship with the San Diego DX Club. Please your continued interest in receiving email from us.

You may if you no longer wish to receive our emails.

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ACTION ALERT

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Here is a second call to action for all radio amateurs in San Diego: please contact your city council member and the mayor about this ordinance, which could have a devastating effect on amateur radio and emergency services!

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Thanks very much for participating. It will make a difference!

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Value of the Ham Radio Community

* The ham radio community provides free primary and backup communications support for critical services (e.g., hospital, fire, military, maritime, public safety and disaster preparedness and relief). It did so with great efficiency during the recent Witch Creek and Cedar Fires. It works directly with the Red Cross and other emergency service providers.

* These free services not only provide critical communication lines, but also save the city more than $2.5 million in annual labor costs and millions more in equipment costs.

* Investments of almost $6 million in equipment
* Thousands of man hours of personal labor
* Amateur Radio operators' service permit the City to avoid costs of salaries, training, drills, supervision and more.

* Because of this value to the community, ham radio operators are considered a "protected class" under federal and state law, which requires the city to afford ham operators "reasonable accommodation, facilitation and encouragement" and the establishment of "minimal practicable regulation." The city's proposed ordinance is a clear violation of those protections.

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Other Approaches

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* It is the position of the SDDXC that any permitting process should be ministerial in nature. In other words, specific guidelines would be set for various situations. If the permitee meets those guidelines, the permit is approved.

* The ham community wants to work with the City to craft an ordinance that makes economic sense, meets Federal and State requirements and protects the public benefits that result from Amateur Radio activities.

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310. Re: [PRB1] FW: Fight San Diego's Disastrous Proposed Ordinance - Letter #2

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-03 07:25:47 UTC
From: DENNIS VERNACCHIA
Topic: 310 Message: 310

I think this is what you are looking for

Link to the draft Negative Declaration (this is an environmental impact finding, part of their process):

http://docs.sandiego.gov/citybulletin_publicnotices/CEQA/PN1300%2523193688nd%252012%252008%25202009.pdf

Comments on the draft Negative Declaration may be submitted to jszymanski@... by December 28, 2009.

Link to Project Description and Revised Draft Code Language:

http://www.sandiego.gov/development-services/industry/amateuradio.shtml

If not I am suer someone will correct me

73, Dennis N6KI

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Subject: Re: [PRB1] FW: Fight San Diego's Disastrous Proposed Ordinance - Letter #2

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Len S

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311. Re: [PRB1] FW: Fight San Diego's Disastrous Proposed Ordinance - Letter #2

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-03 05:58:08 UTC
From: Leonard J. Shaffer
Topic: 311 Message: 311

Can anyone send me a copy of the final propose ordinance?

Len S

At 04:32 PM 2/2/2010, Howard S. White wrote:
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>This letter explains the background.Â Â Please
>get your friends to write letters to City Council
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>From: Steve Early [mailto:ad6vi@...]
>Sent: Tuesday, February 02, 2010 9:31 AM
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>Subject: Fight San Diego's Disastrous Proposed Ordinance
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>To all San Diego Section Radio Amateurs,
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>Here is a second call to action for all radio
>amateurs in San Diego: please contact your city
>council member and the mayor about this
>ordinance, which could have a devastating effect
>on amateur radio and emergency services!
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>As promised, here is background information you
>can use to send an email to your council members
>or call their offices. Letters can and should
>be short, perhaps no longer than the three key
>messages below so that it takes only a few minutes of your time.
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>Thanks very much for participating. It will make a difference!

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>Sincerely,
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>Steve Early, AD6VI
>San Diego Section Manager
>ARRL, The National Amateur Radio Association□<
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>Background
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>Staff members at the city of San Diego have
>prepared a proposed ordinance concerning Amateur
>Radio antennas that is overly restrictive,
>unscientific and tremendously damaging to the
>community's ability to communicate during
>disasters and to the city's 3,700 federally
>licensed Amateur Radio operators ("hams"). Key
>elements of this issue include the following:
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>KEY MESSAGES
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>1. The city of San Diego has drafted an
>ordinance that, if passed by the City Council,
>would severely damage San Diego's Amateur Radio
>community and, with it, an important part of the
>region's emergency communication capability.
>This regulation, if adopted, could create radio
>reception and transmission "black holes" in the
>City. VHF, UHF and HF antennas within the City
>will be substantially less able to communicate
>by line of sight with other amateur stations,
>police, fire and NGOs throughout the County in
>cases of wildfires, flash floods, earthquakes
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> effect of which would be to limit the height of
> the vast majority of ham radio antenna support
> structures to approximately 30 feet (roof
> height) unless applicants go through a lengthy
> permitting process. The permitting process
> could cost thousands of dollars without any assurance of approval.
> * It seems the City's intent is to
> illegitimately raise the bar on amateur radio
> antenna installation by unnecessarily
> increasing burdens relating to placement,
> height and cost, contrary to the policies of
> both the Federal Communications Commission and the State of California.
> * The City's fees alone have no ceiling
> under the proposed Neighborhood Development
> Permit process, but reasonably can be assumed to be $8,000 at a minimum
> * The City's proposed process could
> easily take a ham operator more than a year to complete.
> * The city's proposal has absolutely no
> scientific foundation and appears to be based
> solely on aesthetics - that is, occasional
> objections from non-hams with antennas in their neighborhoods.
> * In reality, most ham radio enthusiasts do
> not build tall support structures, getting by
> with smaller supports and wire antennas. For
> this reason, any concerns about large antenna
> support structures sprouting up all over the

> community are unfounded, since such a phenomenon has never happened.
> * However, the most serious ham operators
> -who often contribute to the emergency
> communication network - require taller antennas for signal reliability.
> * The San Diego DX Club worked with the
> City, in the early stages of ordinance
> development, offering a scientifically based
> rationale as to why the proposed 30-foot limit
> would adversely affect their ability to
> communicate. Simply put, a 30-foot limitation
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312. Re: 5,267 - Corrected Count for San Diego CITY HAMS

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-15 20:27:01 UTC
From: Steve Early
Topic: 312 Message: 312

Howard,
teh number you cite are highly inflated, ...at best,... and from an un-verifiable source.

My count is downloaded directly from the FCC database and then compared other local and national sources.
It is accurate the day I provide it.

For instance, as of last night (February 14th, 2010):
The FCC reports 3596 Amateur radio operators (total) registered within San Diego City Limits
Of these:

223 are in the two year renewal grace period (not permited to transmit).
(5 will be cancelled within 30 days)

33 are in the 90 day renewal window (can transmit until expireation date, that is withing 90 days, then into 2 year grace period).

Approximately 409 are registered at Post Office Boxes or Private Mail Boxes (such as Postal Annex, etc). 141 of these are associated with boat slips on Shelter Island Dr and Harbor Island Dr.

This data is all verifiable at http://wireless.fcc.gov, the source of the FCC data.

Additionally:
My records show that 58 are known to have moved out of San Diego City limits, but have not updated their FCC record.

My records show that 96 are known to have moved within of San Diego City limits, but have not updated their FCC record.

My records show that 20 are known to have moved into of San Diego City limits, but have not updated their FCC record.

This does not include individual licensees that have moved, for which I have no additional records, nor does it include those that provided "work" addresses, rather than residence/voter registration addresses (3 at 5555 Overland Drive, alone)

When dealing with the legal system, I would suggest that using in-accurate data can only hurt our position.
We must start with accurate sources, such as the public FCC Database and be prepared to support any data presented from other sources.
We must not rely on a private website with potentially skewed data.
If we are to refute any counter-data provided by the city, we must be standing on rock-solid data ourselves.

Steve Early, AD6VI,
San Diego Section Manager,

ARRL, the national amateur radio association (tm)

---- "Howard S. White" <drpaper@...> wrote:

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Here is the site where I got the count of 5,267 licensed HAM operators
in the City of San Diego:
http://www.city-data.com/aradio/lic-San-Diego-California6.html

Based on the FCC data

The earlier QRZ Database number of 3,889 is INCORRECT as it only
includes mailing addresses with the words San Diego in them.

For example KY6LA (me) has a La Jolla Mailing address and does NOT show
up in the QRZ 3,889 number so QRZ undercounts our numbers by 1,378 hams.

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Howard S. White Ph.D. P. Eng., VE3GFW/K6 ex-AE6SM KY6LA
Website: www.ky6la.com <http://www.ky6la.com/>
"No Good Deed Goes Unpunished"
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313. Have You Written to Your Councilmember & the Mayor Yet? Do it now!

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-13 00:47:48 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 313 Message: 313

From: Steve Early [mailto:ad6vi@arrl.org]

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To all San Diego Section Radio Amateurs,

HAVE YOU WRITTEN TO YOUR COUNCILMEMBER AND THE MAYOR YET?

DO IT NOW!

San Diego's Amateur Radio Operators face the daunting challenge of stopping an onerous and unnecessary San Diego ordinance that would seriously threaten your abilities as an operator and the ability of the San Diego region to communicate effectively during a crisis. Antenna structures in much of the City will be limited to about 40 feet, unless a ham is willing to spend potentially tens of thousands of dollars and a year or more to try to secure federally granted individual rights. The passage of this ordinance in San Diego is likely to spur other jurisdictions to follow suit.

Let's stop the City of San Diego now while we have the numbers, instead of letting individual hams fight a hopelessly uphill battle. Please contact your Councilperson and the Mayor of San Diego now to tell them what you think about this draft law!

The City staff have scheduled a public hearing on this ordinance before San Diego's Planning Commission for Thursday, Feb. 25, at 9 a.m. The meeting will take place at City Hall (202 'C' Street, 12th Floor, San Diego, CA 92101 <http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1103034957254&s=22&e=0010ijn5OmS8XgB78M1IGZOOgrXa57PKiZNmqearqg4LdPVOGYFgQd-NGChfvl-7UnF_yUcLjPazuWgWKitjZR_1-n_NrOrzFCAlJAkfA-Itbp1Hrlf0fcEnspUmCj9OPh5abCiuo_76eKD5eYSk8nZ9HnqKVB2mNNa1EMUMsVkjIehMcSFWTYzz083RAM27ZuGtYUU0x896IVnJUGb0-6-iOIb2dd5aqgt4osTqIWtGHGYXFOyCuAQ0JzwBZcjh1s8OhuwxPcaGtj-y7y_-f_THzv9qKWSKeO3SPWF6PlWJ3HFMf1mQcUh4w5RnbOqVT9WekWjQfRe8i5kgtOv7wYZL3VUtbVfFyLE5ibiMXRUzDhZ3n-2mbkbNPBI_YLYENK8anWe-HoUavVLtnx0HnXeS0SfJcFGwCMrL4ZdGAmWYJcJ9FCsl6b12v-uXjxjmUVN>). We urge you to take the time to attend this meeting to support the amateur radio cause. And, PLEASE contact five or ten of your ham buddies NOW, remind them of the issue, and ASK them to join you at the meeting. Ask THEM to call their other buddies, too, and arrange carpools. The agenda for the hearing will not be available until Friday, Feb. 19, so we ask that you set aside the entire day for this crucial hearing.

We expect a City Council hearing on this ordinance to follow in March or April. We will provide details as they become available.

For additional information, including the language of the ordinance and the City's pitiful excuse for a review of the ordinance's impacts, please visit http://www.sddxc.org/tower/ <http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1103034957254&s=22&e=0010ijn5OmS8XhZARKGzMeCdYz36iDwAysMJW9E1Thfzetl7_tDFNcT8spBNrKpvNKIsvNtmDwkwErC9XsGuYi2ViaieQd6kGdCjgagzfIOOGCLSJ8uRphAKg==> .

To the left is a list of council districts so that you can figure out which councilmember represents your district. A district map is at the very bottom of this e-mail. Directly below, you'll find our key messages - please put together a message using your own words so that these elected officials know we are serious!

Contact me with any questions.

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KEY MESSAGES

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San Diego District map <http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1103034957254&s=22&e=0010ijn5OmS8XhIISXr8audwq9VptnrgkTHtYSLUoWbNCkIPBlgYnCTgotcQUT1LCOa4_ja374vzwqrxvAY53IvjYuIERrWKBzEf7TqcvwDwOu5wukLFis2HAijV9jUJ9wu>

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314. RE: 5,267 - Corrected Count for San Diego CITY HAMS

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-15 20:57:36 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 312 Message: 314

Steve

I ran also your FCC Database Search (which yields 5433 for San Diego) and it visibly undercounts the numbers as it does not allow for mailing addresses in communities that are not designated as San Diego such as La Jolla but are legally part of the City of San Diego. For example. KY6LA does not show up as a San Diego City Address on the FCC web site as it is a La Jolla Address.

In the case of the boat slips - many of those are legitimate ham addresses. In fact, I personally have proctored exams at San Diego Yacht Club where I personally am aware of several of whose members live on their boats.

Bottom Line:

You and I are wasting valuable time and energy splitting hairs about very minor details.

We all agree that there are about 3,500 - 5,500 or more hams in the City of San Diego....

The exact number is irrelevant.. There are a lot of us.

If we all 3,500 - 5,500 of us were to show up at the Planning Commission Meeting (like 500 of us did in 1994) then we would be a significant enough show of force that the City would listen

So rather than arguing about minor details

we need to get everyone to show up at the City Planning Commission

on February 25th 9AM 12th Floor 202 C Street.

BTW Keep up the Good Work… your emails are quite effective.

Howard S. White Ph.D. P. Eng., VE3GFW/K6 ex-AE6SM KY6LA

Website: www.ky6la.com

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From: Steve Early [mailto:ad6vi@cox.net]
Sent: Monday, February 15, 2010 12:27 PM
To: Marty (N6VI) Woll; Glenn (K6NA) Rattmann; Serra, H. Lawrence; Howard S. White; Felix Tinkov
Cc: SDG-ARES-2010@yahoogroups.com; SDDisasterDefense@yahoogroups; sddxcnews@yahoogroups.com; sdsixshooters@yahoogroups.com

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315. 5,267 - Corrected Count for San Diego CITY HAMS

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-13 20:26:46 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 312 Message: 315

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316. Amateur Radio Communication Amendments: Notice of Public Hearing Feb 25, 2010

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-11 19:30:08 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 316 Message: 316
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

From: Lee, Amanda [mailto:AJohnsonLee@...]
Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2010 10:01 AM
To: DSD LDC Team
Subject: Amateur Radio Communication Amendments: Notice of Public Hearing

Attached is the public notice for the Amateur Radio Communication Amendments to the Land Development Code and Local Coastal Program, which is scheduled to be heard by the Planning Commission on Thursday, February 25. Please refer to the attached notice and the link provided below for additional information. The staff report to the Planning Commission will be posted to the website and available for public review on Friday, February 19.

http://www.sandiego.gov/planning-commission/

317. Recent Chronological History of the Tower Ordinance Issue in San Diego

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-17 09:42:11 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 317 Message: 317

http://sddxc.org/tower/

Here is an excellent web page that shows chronological history of the the Tower Ordinance issue in San Diego

Please forward to any ham or interested party you know within driving distance of San Diego.

Their presence at Feb 25 meeting is critically needed.

Here is also a very eloquent post from Dennis N6KI...

The San Diego Planning Commission is holding hearings about a proposed ordinance that will effectively ban Amateur radio antennas in San Diego.

If passed, the proposed ordinance will force individual radio and electronics experimenters to spend upwards of $10,000 or more to obtain a tower permit, restrict heights to 30' and generally make it impossible to get on the air.

The Amateur Radio Relay League and the San Diego DX (long-distance radio) Club have hired lawyers and professional lobbyists to fight this disastrous ordinance but they need all the help they can get to protect Public Safety.

Also, the way the ordinance is written, if an operator already has a tower in place and decides to modify the antennas, which hams regularly do, he will in violation of the ordinance and can be made to apply for a costly permit!

You might say, "I don't live in city of San Diego, or, I do not have an Amateur radio license, so why should I care?"

If this ordinance passes, it will set a legal precedent, and other California cities could model new ordinances based on the San Diego ordinance. The Amateur Radio Service is active in assisting neighborhood, city, county, state, and federal, and international agencies expedite emergency communications requirements as specified by Congressional mandate. The proposed ILLEGAL ordinance changes would ultimately create a deleterious effect on the ability of individuals and communities to evacuate or respond to situations which pose a emergency/threat in real time.

Let's not let this issue get to go into court as that will then cost hams and taxpayers a bundle of money to fight the city of San Diego even though the proposed antenna and permit rules are arguably illegal and counterproductive.

(Remember - in our legal system - you are innocent until proven broke!)

Even though the city of San Diego IS BROKE, they intend to continue to waste future taxpayer funds!

It is perplexing as to why the individuals who have proposed this fiasco have not found the time in their lives to accomplish useful work.

Of course, there are measures that can be taken to prevent the obstruction of ocean views, and similar issues which are rightly everyone's concern.

STOP SAN DIEGO'S ILL-ADVISED BAN ON THE FCC AMATEUR RADIO SERVICE

ATTEND CITY PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING

Thursday Feb 25, 2010 9:00 AM

Council Chambers, 12th Floor,

City Administration Building,

202 C Street, San Diego, CA

Like we did in 1994, if enough support shows up at the meeting we stand a good chance to stop this disastrous ordinance.

73, Dennis N6KI
San Diego

318. RE: [SDG-ARES-2010] Re: 5,267 - Corrected Count for San Diego CITY HAMS

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-17 21:11:25 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 312 Message: 318

Steve:

The only real number that counts is the Number of People who show up at the City Planning Commission on Feb 25th 9AM 202 C st 12th Floor

If only 25 -50 show up, we will lose

If 200 -500 show up we will win…

You probably recall the 1994 meeting where 500 hams showed up and we forced the Planning Commission to back down

We can do that again if enough Hams care enough to show up…

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319. RE: Recent Chronological History of the Tower Ordinance Issue in San Diego

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-18 00:39:39 UTC
From: slamprides@earthlink.net
Topic: 317 Message: 319

Does ARRL stand for American Radio Relay League?

320. RE: [SDG-ARES-2010] RE: Recent Chronological History of the Tower Ordinance Issue in San Diego

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-18 06:48:43 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 317 Message: 320
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From: SDG-ARES-2010@yahoogroups.com
[mailto:SDG-ARES-2010@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of
slamprides@...
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2010 4:40 PM
To: SDG-ARES-2010@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [SDG-ARES-2010] RE: Recent Chronological History of the Tower
Ordinance Issue in San Diego

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321. From Steve Early - Contact Elected Officials Now -Draft Letter Enclosed

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-19 23:57:21 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 321 Message: 321

From: Steve Early [mailto:ad6vi@arrl.org]
Sent: Friday, February 19, 2010 10:45 AM

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ACTION ALERT

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To All San Diego Regional Radio Operators:

The City of San Diego is preparing to enact an ordinance in violation of California and Federal law that would severely limit antenna height in parts of the city and potentially eliminate outside antennas altogether in the rest. Given the city's size and prominence, passage of a highly restrictive amateur radio tower and antenna ordinance here could lead to similarly harsh measures in outlying cities, the County as a whole, and other jurisdictions nationally. We must convince the City to pass a legal and sensible ordinance.

To do that, we are asking as many radio amateurs as possible to directly contact, via e-mail, letter or phone call (or all three!), the office of the council members (see here <http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1103069586429&s=22&e=001E9W0AbDJ3cSr33RsyhczfEZbx58tOVDXv4bVKrNI8-3YNSMkjC3irt9r5kfnxiF_Wj7jusJonI3jjKG6bDR9PgXprm7EVsOGXJ6zz4kES6r710iXXemNc4kDJPBVSTuB> for contact information) and the mayor (see here <http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1103069586429&s=22&e=001E9W0AbDJ3cSMijNjwbPEIolI-4ZOezxYqPTB-VzINmpd3tr3SWL41O9JOoLMDyuLultaRXzMYPuxCkUT1GWDasS3fQN9I5_GtWQsWfTdo1zgbeXAeK3_qXq8GBW2cIpf> for contact information) of San Diego. Please also send a message to the staff member working on this ordinance:

Amanda Lee, Senior Planner

City of San Diego

Development Services Department

1222 First Avenue, MS 501

San Diego, CA 92101-4155

Or send an email to her at: AJohnsonLee@sandiego.gov

The City has scheduled a public hearing on this ordinance before San Diego's Planning Commission for Thursday, Feb. 25, at 9 a.m. at City Hall (202 'C' Street, 12th Floor, San Diego, CA 92101 <http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1103069586429&s=22&e=001E9W0AbDJ3cSpF4r2CzyKWs18TsWtbNKLXD1c_VayMKvvZRqNBm29DPHmsaoPpnsz3Cussg-TkgTVCg3XDoqKkHsOLb3w6qOtTKjQbVMcX83pERMoaF-1BfwpxWaIrmmsOUZ8o8C5M9AjIheDB-EXXBdBJstdlc-Mp2grPYb9Tg1NcDwe05aWFM1bDymuCzE49KalHW9oxLoIqMQpUtVNrLr4KRgocgYQdg8eK1uF9ZXsM4NnV4_2Y9bXlb4MzfzijY5W7hAYY2jCqd2eF_vJCsga1Udm9L7v-JPJ6FgntHCC9ymZl6qfdF8JIeILEmVloPvQW3HsWcSY5bxTpwLa-ZZ0ct7H-BD5K_P4QDcjnHrusMJc0KbW2A9i8-4E5anX0ryWKwv94m6vfMDMlEtm_ftI8riIKiXoFT3xxfEUe0IWWNLHxgSIsVIVaz00GVG3OHzY1io3S3DjWNMv85MoOJ3JaqO2bruJWfFtZTcGF_dkMeTa_3KVSXCep0AjlReC-PAXuhD2m-x8EoiydSBGdQ==>). We urge you to take the time to attend this meeting to support the amateur radio cause. And, PLEASE contact five or ten of your ham buddies NOW, remind them of the issue, and ASK them to join you at the meeting. Ask THEM to call their other buddies, too, and arrange carpools.

For more information on the situation, please visit: www.sddxc.org/tower/ <http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1103069586429&s=22&e=001E9W0AbDJ3cTIfCtBucPIiabugex6RgBet67pF_6EK2jFIrLOkzdNcXAafYJDrMrzTYIEwOvRNCbNBlXpjKucoxn0324CleMpZXF9yL60VUzlAJBMgWa8Bw==> . If you would like to review the model ordinance the San Diego DX Club submitted to the City see this document <http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1103069586429&s=22&e=001E9W0AbDJ3cSsp84B5nXGL7vZw3My1vVUmEFW

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Below is a sample letter which generally describes our position. We ask that you fill it in, and better yet, improve on it in your own words, before sending it to councilmembers, the mayor and city staff.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this important situation.

Sincerely,

Steve Early, AD6VI
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Sample Letter to City of San Diego Elected Officials and Staff:

Dear _____

(Personal sentence to start. Example: I have been an active amateur radio operator for __ years and have participated in _____ (e.g. a number of emergency communication efforts, or something more specific) during that time.

The City is attempting to effect a burdensome and expensive permitting process for ham radio operators. This would not only damage the local ham radio community, it would also threaten the emergency communication capabilities of the region, since we amateur radio operators are an important part of the City's backup communications system. The San Diego DX Club submitted a suggested model ordinance to the City that meets all stakeholders' requirements and is both legally and technically sound. I strongly urge you to adopt their version of the ordinance.

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322. One Day Technicians Class and Exam - Feb 27th Scripps Ranch Library

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-21 22:10:23 UTC
From: Howard S. White
Topic: 322 Message: 322

Do you know anyone who might want to get their ham license?

Peter Singer W2PWS of Scripps Ranch CERT will be conducting a

One Day Technicians Licensing Class

Scripps Ranch Library

10301 SCRIPPS LAKE DR

SAN DIEGO, CA 92131

Saturday February 27, 2010 8:30AM to 4:00 PM

Technicians Exams at: 4:00 PM

Contact Peter Singer srcert@...

For details.

In addition to the Technician Exams, we will encourage walk-ins for
General and Extra Exams

If you wish to upgrade at the 4PM exam session, please contact me at
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323. One Day Tech Class and exam in Pine Valley

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-22 17:20:56 UTC
From: dzrtram
Topic: 323 Message: 323

Amateur Radio Class and License In Pine Valley Saturday Feb. 27, 2010

What: A one-day class and exam for ham radio technician class.
When: Saturday, February 27, 2010 From 8;00 A.M. until approximately 5:00 P.M.
Where: Pine Valley Fire Department Trailer
Why: To develop communication during emergencies and disasters.
How Much? The class is free. The license fee is only $5.00 Bring a lunch.
How do I sign up? Email Steve at ad6vi@...
You can register the day of the class, if there are enough materials and there is room.
Maximum of 30 students

This class is almost full so email Steve now.

324. Red Cross ECRV mtg.

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-23 19:35:26 UTC
From: Earl Towson
Topic: 324 Message: 324
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

I looked over the Red Cross Comm Van at the Yuma Hamfest this past weekend (it is a Red Cross national asset currently stationed in Phoenix); it is a nice setup fully equipped with HF-UHF, satcoms, and a four element hydraulically elevated beam, etc. They recently deployed to Southern California's wildfires (LA), Colorado, Arizona's White Mts., etc. I thought you might like to consider volunteering or developing contacts with this group - due to family, etc. I can't be available for two week out-of-area assignments.

EARL TOWSON / N1QI

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From: Frank Engstrom
To: sdaldrup1988@... ; labweiler@... ; betty1@... ; Charles Shelz ; kentduffy@... ; beck2twain@... ; neutron47@hotmail.com ; rondavis011@... ; bob.backus@... ; motoman1@... ; doram91@... ; sian.proctor@... ; randy@... ; kc7joe@hotmail.com ; dogberto@... ; aleacimw@... ; wtpalmer@... ; virgmurphy@... ; mikehirsch@... ; cmhardin@... ; barnes68@... ; ac7bi@... ; loeser@... ; dicktripp@... ; n8huh@... ; etowson@... ; bj1stst8cep@... ; pcrook26@... ; kc7duu@...
Cc: Kelly Bersch ; Peter Petrotta ; Terry Taylor
Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2010 10:53 AM
Subject: Red Cross ECRV mtg.

Greetings!
This message is to those of you that have expressed an interest helping out as volunteers with the ECRV group of the Red Cross Grand Canyon Chapter in Phoenix!
As most of you already know, we are responsible for the deployment of this complex communications vehicle for disaster needs around the U.S. There are actually 12 similar vehicles stationed around the U.S. and we frequently find ourselves to be the only contact with the outside world when local infrastructure is destroyed or impaired. Our capabilities are often critical to the local and national authorities' initial response to emergency needs in a local area!

In order to maintain our ability to respond quickly in time of need, we must maintain a group of trained operators so that someone is available to deploy the vehicle quickly any time of the year (although our most common deployments are in the summer and fall). We always deploy in teams of two and may be gone one to two weeks if called up. Although this may sound like a hardship, I can assure you that you'll have a great feeling of satisfaction from the service you provide! Recently we have been deployed to Hurricanes Gustave and Ike in the gulf coast area, and, we have deployed teams to the wildfires in Southern California were there have been more than 800+ homes destroyed!

Since you'll likely have LOTS of questions about how all this works, and since the process to become a qualified operator is a somewhat lengthy one, we've set-up a get-together at the chapter building in central Phoenix prior to one of our operator group meetings and we'd love to have you attend! Our meeting starts at 1pm on Saturday March 6 and we'd like to invite you to come in at 12:00 for a tour of the ECRV and we'll have several of the

current operators present so you can meet them and ask them what this experiance is like. Following that, we'll have our operators meeting which you are welcome to stay and observe. If we haven't scared you off too badly, we can start you on the process steps to get you certified! We will be scheduling a full-up ECRV training class (you didn't think we'd expect you to know it all already did you?) in early spring (tentatively scheduled for April 24-27)).

Our ideal candidate for this volunteer need is someone with some technical background in communications or computers (the more, the better). You don't need to be a "guru" but starting with NO technical background is tough. You'd also need to be able to deploy if needed for up to two weeks. If you're retired or self-employed, that's great! If you work full-time, you'd need to have an understanding employer. You would be on "alert" for one month of the year (your choice). It helps if you are reasonably close to Phoenix as sometimes our call-ups can ask for quick action (can be as little as 4 hours). This is great for Couple teams! There are also ECRV's located in other cities. In the west, they are Sacremento, Ca. Denver, Colo. and Spokane, Wa.

So, please set aside the afternoon of March 6 for about 2 hrs to join us! Just come around to the rear entrance area where you'll see us.
The Grand Canyon Piper Center is on the frontage road on the east side of I-17 just north of the Bethany Home exit. Just park on the North or South side of the building and walk up the driveway on the east side of the building. If you get lost, call me. I'll help direct you in.
Also, if you have any questions , don't hesitate to call me. I'll do my best to answer them!

Important! Please hit "reply" to this message and let me know you read it, and whether you'll attend or not, and if not whether you'd still like to be considered for this group? If you don't reply, I'll have to call you!

See you soon!
Frank

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(480) 209-7300 (cell)

325. Video of San Diego Planning Commission - Ban Ham Radio Ordinance Rejection - Round 1

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-26 08:31:06 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 325 Message: 325

In case you missed it or wish to relive it again.....

The complete video of the San Diego Planning Commission Meeting can be found at

http://granicus.sandiego.gov/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=8&clip_id=3801

It would be fruitful to set up a Truth Commission to chronicle all the deliberate misrepresentations of the facts by both the Opposition and the City Staff.

Here's hoping that now that the Planning Commission has told City Staff to negotiate with the Hams that they finally start negotiating in good faith rather than continuing to pander to a tiny special interest group.

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326. FW: [CEROinc] San Diego Hams Win Round 1

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-26 01:35:41 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 326 Message: 326
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Feb 25, 2010. 12:30---

San Diego Planning Commission voted unanimously to recommend to City Council to reject the propose ordinance to ban antennas in San Diego. They recommended to City Staff to work with hams to arrive at a workable ordinance.

2 people spoke in favor of the ban 91 people spoke against it.

Thanks to everyone who came out to fight this disastrous ordinance.
Next Step. Too early to tell if the City Staff will actually work with the ham community or continue with their special interests driven agenda.

Stay tuned.

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327. RE: [SDG-ARES-2010] Red Cross ECRV mtg. [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-26 07:11:36 UTC
From: Ross
Topic: 327 Message: 327

I would be interested in seeing that van, Earl. As a leader of another group I can unfortunately be a witness to the fact that most everyone else will use smilar excuses to do nothing. What we need to do is seek out people of leadership quality and beseech them to step forward and volunteer. I try to help the ARC, but I also have in my group people that don't want any responsibility, and therefore use the same tired excuses, and I get stuck with most of the work. These are also the same peole that have plenty of time to criticize others that do give of their time, etc.

I don't know the disposition of the ARES trailer---it's been sitting for months. Maybe you could head up group of volunteers to get that project going, if needed. I'd be glad to help as much as possible.

Ross KI6HSI

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From: Earl Towson <etowson@...>
Sent: Tuesday, February 23, 2010 11:35 AM
To: ;
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[The entire original message is not included]

328. Fwd: CNN Breaking News

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-27 08:51:39 UTC
From: rkemp74622@aol.com
Topic: 328 Message: 328

-----Original Message-----
From: CNN Breaking News <BreakingNews@...>
To: textbreakingnews@...
Sent: Sat, Feb 27, 2010 12:44 am
Subject: CNN Breaking News

-- Chile earthquake now listed as magnitude 8.8. Tsunami wave as high as 9 feet has been recorded.

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global interview program, "Amanpour," is now available on iTunes. Go
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329. Re: San Diego Hams Win Round 1

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-27 03:41:14 UTC
From: Kurt
Topic: 326 Message: 329

Glad you mentioned round 1. You can still lose a later round...

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330. Fwd: [sddxcnews] Fwd: CNN Breaking News

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-27 08:58:56 UTC
From: rkemp74622@aol.com
Topic: 328 Message: 330

From NOAA,

"8.8 quake is approx. 37 times stronger than 7.9 Haiti quake."

-----Original Message-----
From: rkemp74622@...
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331. Massive Earthquake in Chile / Tsunami Warnings

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-27 17:25:31 UTC
From: Kurt
Topic: 331 Message: 331

Read more about this in the DisasterWatch Group on Yahoo...

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DisasterWatch_Discussion/

332. RE: [SDG-ARES-2010] Re: San Diego Hams Win Round 1

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-27 18:18:30 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 326 Message: 332

Yes you are absolutely correct... it is only ROUND 1

Round 2 will be City Council... where anything can happen

333. Re: San Diego Hams Win Round 1

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-28 14:52:33 UTC
From: Kurt
Topic: 326 Message: 333

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The question some people are wondering about:

From the video of the San Diego City planning commission meeting Feb 25, 2010, the only public supporters of the stricter antenna codes present appeared to be monied people from La Jolla and their "representative" (lawyer?)from La Jolla Village Drive who spoke about a large tower in their neighborhood that clearly troubled them.

If that particular tower was modified to placate those people, would they call off their (lawyer?) and drop their support for the more restrictive measures?

Would that then reduce pressure on the planning commission and the city council to do something to satisfy these constituents?

Inquiring minds are politely wondering.

-- Kurt, N6MD

334. Re: San Diego Hams Win Round 1

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-02-28 16:09:47 UTC
From: misticunicorn
Topic: 326 Message: 334

I watched the video and did one of the commissioner ask that same question?

Chell
KI6FKA

335. ARLX005 IARU Region 2 and Radio Club de Chile Request Amateurs to Keep Emergency Frequencies Clear

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-03-01 21:39:00 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 335 Message: 335

From: ARRL Web site [mailto:memberlist@...]
SB SPCL @ ARL $ARLX005
ARLX005 IARU Region 2 and Radio Club de Chile Request Amateurs to
Keep Emergency Frequencies Clear

ZCZC AX05
QST de W1AW
Special Bulletin 5 ARLX005
From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT March 1, 2010
To all radio amateurs

SB SPCL ARL ARLX005
ARLX005 IARU Region 2 and Radio Club de Chile Request Amateurs to
Keep Emergency Frequencies Clear

A massive 8.8 magnitude earthquake hit Chile at 0634 UTC on February 27, 2010, triggering a potential tsunami. IARU Region 2 and the Red Chilena Nor Austral de Servicio (RECNA) have suggested Amateur Radio operators monitor the following emergency communications frequencies for traffic pertaining to the earthquake and tsunami: 3.738, 3.750, 7.050, 7.100, 14.200, 14.350, 21.200, 21.350, 28.300 and 28.500 MHz.

IARU Region 2 Area Emergency Coordinator Jorge Sierra, LU1AS, reports that there is now traffic at frequencies of 40 meters from people seeking information from people in Chile: "We would appreciate if amateurs would leave free the frequencies used by RECNA, as well as the usual IARU Region 2 frequencies on in 20, 40, and 80 meters."

In addition to the above frequencies, you may also want to listen to the worldwide emergency communication Center of Activity frequencies: 14.300, 18.160 and 21.360 MHz. Other suggested monitoring frequencies are 3.720, 7.045 and 7.060 MHz. Hawaiian Amateur Radio operators on the lookout for a possible tsunami are monitoring 7.088 and 3.888 MHz.
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/EX

336. Lake Hodges Search Continues

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-03-02 14:47:46 UTC
From: Kurt
Topic: 336 Message: 336

Volunteers wanting to help in the search for Chelsea King Tuesday should go to 11858 Bernardo Plaza Ct. in Rancho Bernardo behind Citibank.

http://www.nbcsandiego.com/news/local-beat/The-Search-for-Chelsea-King-85947917.html

337. KY6LA-10 Winlink Radio Mail Server Node is on the Air

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-03-21 09:12:55 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 337 Message: 337

I am pleased to announce that I have finally rebuilt the Winlink2000 Packet Link Radio Mail Server (RMS) Packet Node on Mt. Soledad with a new computer and a super high speed 20MB/s Data Connection. You can now send and receive email over ham radio though the Winlink 2000 system to anyone's email system anywhere in the world 24/7/365.
Mode: 1200 Baud Packet
Connect call sign: KY6LA-10
Connect Frequency: 145.050 MHz Simplex
XMT Power: 50W
ERP: 100W
Antenna: 6dBi Omni Directional @ 525' ASL
Coverage: Primarily - West, North and South with reliable connections up to Santa Barbara and into Mexico and out to sea.
Additional Coverage: Connect via W6NWG-1 on Mt. Palomar
Connect via W6RDF-1 on Point Loma
By using the extensive Packet Linking Node Network, you should be able to connect and send email from virtually anywhere in San Diego County.
An alternate Winlink RMS Node W6IM-1 is located on 145.010 at the San Diego Yacht Club

More information and FREE Software may be found at:

http://www.winlink.org/

While the intention is to provide backup communications for EMCOMM, like every system it needs to be exercised regularly to stay in top working condition,

So please feel free to try it.

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338. Ham Radio Growing In The Age Of Twitter : NPR

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-04-06 23:49:03 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 338 Message: 338

http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=125586086&ft=1&f=1019

339. Amateur Radio Antenna Defense Foundation Formed

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-04-20 09:21:56 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 339 Message: 339

Amateur Radio Antenna Defense Foundation Formed

Radio Amateurs involved in the ongoing struggle to secure reasonable accommodation for Ham antennas have formed a new California public-benefit corporation to receive tax-deductible donations from those wishing help support litigation against local jurisdictions that ignore federal and state preemption statutes.

Chief Financial Officer Marty Woll N6VI announced at last weekend's International DX Convention in Visalia, CA that the Amateur Radio Antenna Defense Foundation, or ARADF, has just been approved by the Internal Revenue Service as a public charity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. "Amateurs seeking to install antennas and support structures may jump through local regulatory hoops, sometimes paying significant fees in the process, only to be turned down or to be burdened with severe restrictions that preclude effective communication", said Woll. "Turning to the courts can be prohibitively costly for the Ham, while cities have taxpayer-funded attorneys on staff, giving them the upper hand. The goal of ARADF is to help level the playing field with financial assistance that will allow deserving antenna lawsuits to go forward."

ARRL also has a committee that has helped fund antenna litigation around the country, but it focuses primarily on cases that have reached the appellate level. ARADF will concentrate on lower-court cases and is supportive of but not affiliated with the American Radio Relay League.

ARADF's Board of Directors includes Woll, Volunteer Counsel Leonard Shaffer WA6QHD, former ARRL Southwestern Division Director Art Goddard W6XD, and U.C. San Diego adjunct professor Gayle Olson K6GO. All directors of the Foundation serve without compensation.

Tax-deductible contributions can be made payable to Amateur Radio Antenna Defense Foundation and mailed to ARADF, P.O. Box 5434, Chatsworth, CA 91313-5434. Questions may be directed to
ARADF@...<mailto:ARADF@...>. A Web site is under construction.

340. FW: [PRB1] Report on Oceanside Anti-Antenna Ordinance. 10/20/10

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-10-22 17:41:50 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 340 Message: 340

The Bad News is that they passed a highly restrictive Anti-Antenna Ordinance designed for cell towers but including ham towers, which if fully implemented would cost a ham thousands of dollars to apply for a permit and for all intents and purposes make it virtually impossible to erect a ham antenna.

The Good News is that they acknowledged that the ordinance as passed really should only apply to cell towers and would be unduly burdensome to the "Unsung Heroes" Amateur Radio Operators. They agreed to have their legal people work with the ham community and report back to the council at the First Meeting in January with suggested modifications to the ordinance that would be much less burdensome to this vital public safety service.

DO NOT APPLY for a permit in Oceanside in the next 60 days... you will not get a tower approved until those changes are approved.

The Hams were well organized through the untiring efforts of Fred Atchley AE6IC and Dennis Baca KD6TUJ (President of Palomar Amateur Radio). Fred and Dennis clearly had worked on several council members as the councilors were positive about ham radio. My personal kudos to both these fine gentlemen for all their visibly hard work.

A lot of different hams spoke about separating the Amateur Radio Support Structure Regulations from the Commercial Cell Phone Regulations. Perhaps more important, a number of members of the general public, who were there primarily to oppose any cell phone towers whatsoever, spoke in favor of treating amateur radio differently than cell phones and acknowledged the vital public service of hams during emergencies.

Special Legal Counsel to the City for antenna matters, Jonathan Kramer, W6JLK suggested that changes should be made for amateur radio and looked forward to meeting with local hams to work out the differences.

Frankly, while the currently ordinance is outrageously (likely illegally) restrictive, the positive attitude towards reasonably accommodating amateur radio was a pleasant change from the hostile attitudes of Poway and the prevarications and enmity of the staff at the City of San Diego.

My only real disappointment was the utter lack of any visible support from SANDARC or our ARRL Section Manager and/or his staff.

Oceanside is the largest city in North San Diego County.
How it ultimately frames its ham antenna ordinance will likely influence all the surrounding cities.

The Jury is still out... The fight is NOT over.

I am sure that Fred could use all the help he can get!!!!!

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Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-10-23 00:10:13 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 341 Message: 341

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Subject: RE: Report on Oceanside Anti-Antenna Ordinance. 10/20/10

Thanks for your comments Howard. Yes there was bad news and there was (is!) good news. Note that the OCEANSIDE CITY COUNCIL MEETING REPLAY [TAPED 10/20/10] is located on the internet:

http://www.ci.oceanside.ca.us/council_video/2010/10-20-2010_cm/10-20-2010_cm_exphtml.html. Our portion starts at 3:50 or thereabouts. Also it will be aired on KOCT (Channel 19) tomorrow, Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th.

This is my first experience with the council “general meeting”. It was a sad display of egos combined with an overdose of PR. This meant that the business at hand was pushed back in time. It was past 10 PM before we finished up which for some of us old-timers was almost life-threatening.

There were two low points for me.

The first was Jerry Hittleman’s cheap shots. He thanked me for my efforts to improve the ordinance then proceeded to ostracize ham radio antennas. He displayed examples of commercial antennas camouflaged as a cactus and a palm tree; then displayed Kruger’s ham antenna for comparison. There were audible guffaws from a small group which was obviously his intent.

The second low point was when city attorney John Mullen made his disingenuous comments that separating-out the Amateur Radio portion could not be accomplished without jeopardizing the urgent article 39. In spite of the fact that on September 30, 2010, I hand delivered a letter to all city council members concerning just such a change. Out of 732 lines, only 46 lines specifically regulate Amateur Radio antennas. All other references to “Amateur

Radio” are just phrases inserted to exclude it. Obviously, the ad hoc committee’s efforts to obliterate our requirements limited this content. So, Mullin had plenty of time to be prepared.

Offsetting these negatives were the numerous favorable compliments from the gallery, including the anti-cell-tower group! Other non-hams commented on the need to nurture the ham capability. Even Jonathan Kramer commented that a subsection for hams was doable. His comments pertained mostly to cell tower citing.

Many thanks to all the hams that stood up. You really did a fabulous job. The impact on the council members was obvious. They were not expecting such support. Sorry for the delay in reporting, but Lillian and I took the next day off to recuperate. (We drove up to the Edwards complex in Irvine to see a movie.)

73, Fred, AE6IC, hamkt4fk@att.net<mailto:hamkt4fk@...>

PS there is more to follow (something good!)

" Do or Do-not. There is no 'Try'..." ~ Yoda

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How it ultimately frames its ham antenna ordinance will likely influence all the surrounding cities.

The Jury is still out… The fight is NOT over.

I am sure that Fred could use all the help he can get!!!!!

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Howard S. White Ph.D. P. Eng., VE3GFW/K6 ex-AE6SM KY6LA
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342. FW: [Oceanside Ham Defense] Very Important Petition

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-11-24 07:56:36 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 342 Message: 342
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

From: Fred Atchley [mailto:hamkt4fk@...]
Sent: Tuesday, November 23, 2010 11:35 PM
To: Dennis Baca; Felix Tinkov, Esq; John Hudson; Leonard J. Shaffer; Martin Woll; Steve Early
Cc: Bob Snyder; brantkelley@...; chaslg@...; GEORGE JONES; Thomas Martin; timbrw@...; Don Johnson; Dr. Howard S. White
Subject: [Oceanside Ham Defense] Very Important Petition

The attached petition is vital to our goal of eliminating prejudice toward the ham community. The Oceanside Planning Division was told to resolve the problems with the Article 39 zoning ordinance as it pertains to ham radio. However, instead of fixing it they, without any participation of the Oceanside hams, are attempting to repackage the same misguided bureaucratic impediments for review by the city council in January 2011. What happens in Oceanside will affect surrounding communities!
Please sign, indicate your address and date a copy of the petition and mail it to me ASAP:
Fred Atchley, AE6IC
4872 Cardiff Bay Drive
Oceanside, CA 92057
I'll collect and deliver them. Please do not delay.

"All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing" ~ Edmond Burke

Have a great Thanksgiving. 73, Fred, hamkt4fk@...<mailto:hamkt4fk@...>
P.S. Please excuse any duplicate emails.

" Do or Do-not. There is no 'Try'..." ~ Yoda

343. Terrorist Plot

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-12-22 20:08:06 UTC
From: Earl Towson
Topic: 343 Message: 343

New Terrorist Plot uncovered... (Best to eat a home for a while?)

http://www.emergencyemail.org/newsemergency/anmviewer.asp?a=808&z=29

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344. Official ARRL Exams with Tech and General Classes Included

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2010-12-22 01:53:47 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 344 Message: 344
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

Here is the official ARRL EXAM Announcement Poster for the upcoming
Technician and General Classes at the San Diego Yacht Club

Technician classes Monday December 28th 8 AM to 5PM
General classes Tuesday December 29th 8 AM to 3PM

Technician, General and Extra Exam Session December 29th 3PM - 5PM

More information at www.sdyc.org/arg<http://www.sdyc.org/arg>

We would appreciate it if you could print out the poster and post it at your organizations and place of work.

Everyone is welcome

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345. ARES Meeting

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2011-03-11 04:55:06 UTC
From: Earl Towson
Topic: 345 Message: 345

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346. JA Emergency Freqs & Value of Amateurs in Emergencies/Disasters Comment

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2011-03-13 03:43:57 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 346 Message: 346

From W6KY

In case you haven't seen this already:

Following freq'assigned for emergency QSO. Please be clear. Thank you for your kind help! Ops JARL & volunteers - 3520 to 3530, 7025 to 7035, 14090 to 14110, 21190 to 21200, 28190 to 28210, 50100, 51000, 14100, 14500, 430100, 433000. DXped Ops - Please kindly consider QSX freq & RTTY freq.

73, Art W6KY

ps; Heard from Shin, JA1NUT. He is North of Tokyo. He is a doctor and very busy.
No food, little water. He has family in Northern Japan, but hasn't heard from them.
Entire towns missing. The news says, Japan (the entire island) has moved eight feet.

I hope the Japanese Amateur effort is documented well with Video and Press and that that information is collected and used in our efforts to show that hams ARE needed in Earthquake/Tsunami and other disasters and that info is impressed upon USA MEDIA and Politicians etc

73, Dennis N6KI

P.S. - Fred - Be sure the politicians in Oceanside are aware !

347. Re: [SDG-ARES-2010] ARES Meeting

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2011-03-25 17:26:04 UTC
From: Earl Towson
Topic: 345 Message: 347

Please Ignore! This is an old message that was sent out prior to our March 12th meeting...
EARL TOWSON / N1QI

From: Earl Towson
Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2011 8:55 PM
To: Undisclosed-Recipient:;
Subject: [SDG-ARES-2010] ARES Meeting

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Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2011-04-04 05:36:49 UTC
From: patrick_mullen
Topic: 343 Message: 348

The link does not go to the article. Can you be more specific about a "terrorist plot?"

Regards,

Pat Mullen

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Date: 2011-05-31 23:30:08 UTC
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Have a safe and nice Memorial Day holiday weekend!

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350. Re: [SDG-ARES-2010] Fw: INTENT TO PARTICIPATE - June 16 Pediatric Illness Surge Exercise [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2011-07-21 11:59:29 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NF9T
Topic: 349 Message: 350

Thanks Earl for posting this. Wish I were there to help.

I love reading about San Diego ARES, but unfortunately, the powers to be at San Diego ARES feel that ONLY people living in San Diego area should be members of that Yahoo group, that those of us not living there have nothing to contribute. Yes, we may not be able to contribute our physical time, but could contribute in other ways....planning, helping to get volunteers, a myriad of ways.....

Thanks for all that you and others are doing for the SDG ARES group. 73 all...

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Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2011-07-21 14:32:38 UTC
From: Craig A. Williams
Topic: 349 Message: 351

Yup, that did not get coordinated. I am always sitting around looking for an excuse to go somewhere and play radio and missed this one. We have so many Ham groups with so many reflectors on the internet it's hard to be on all the lists or keep track on what's going on. It's a shame nothing came of the effort to coordinate us all that Steve E. tried to start several years ago with the meeting at the Salvation Army HQ. He could not find anyone with time to lead the effort and as we all know Steve has committed more time than anyone would expect him to do in his role with the ARRL.

It seems to me that anytime you get more than 10 of us together trying to get organized further is like herding cats. Anyway, I think we are having a great time with our hobby and when needed for public service a lot of us are there to help.

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Subject
INTENT TO PARTICIPATE - June 16 Pediatric Illness Surge Exercise

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Have a safe and nice Memorial Day holiday weekend!

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352. Re: [SDG-ARES-2010] Fw: INTENT TO PARTICIPATE - June 16 Pediatric Illness Surge Exercise [1 Attachment]

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2011-07-21 12:01:29 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NF9T
Topic: 349 Message: 352

Wow...after replying to the message, I noticed by the date it was sent
at the last of May, and I just got it today.....

Sorry about that....

On 5/31/2011 6:30 PM, Earl Towson wrote:
> [Attachment(s) <#TopText> from Earl Towson included below]
>
> *This is an exercise / drill that we (ARES, RED CROSS Communicators,
> REMCOM, and possibly RACES and the Medical Professionals Support
> Group) should all be involved in. I will be participating from KAISER
> as part of KPARN. Please let me know if you are going to participate
> and what nets will be up...*
> **
> *Earl Towson, N1QI*
> *619-670-7622*
> *etowson@... <mailto:etowson@...>*
> **
> *NOTE: I will be out of town from the 2nd until the 13th teaching
> classes...*
> *From:* Bill & Janet Parker <mailto:wparker2@...>
> *Sent:* Monday, May 30, 2011 9:43 PM
> *To:* Towson Earl <mailto:etowson@...>
> *Cc:* Mariotti Duane <mailto:duane_mariotti@...>
> *Subject:* Fw: INTENT TO PARTICIPATE - June 16 Pediatric Illness Surge
> Exercise
> Hi Earl,
> This is the announcement for the drill on June 16, from 6 PM to 8 PM
> (debrief to 9:00 PM).
> If you look down the list, you will see that we are on the *"...list
> of key departments and staff critical to exercise play."*
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> So I plan to be there. It appears that this exercise is designed to
> test our ability to communicate with other Medical Centers in San
> Diego County. So this exercise will _not_ include our links with our
> Kaiser hospitals up north.
> As such it looks like this will be more of an exercise involving ARES
> who has links with the local hospitals.
> So Earl, it looks like this is your area of expertise. Will you be
> able to be there?
> ...Bill Parker W8QZA
> P.S. Duane, I have copied this to you. I wanted to be sure that my
> evaluation of this exercise is accurate.
> *From:* Duane Mariotti <mailto:duane_mariotti@...>

> *Sent:* Monday, May 30, 2011 9:07 PM
> *To:* wparker2@... <mailto:wparker2@...>
> *Subject:* Fw: INTENT TO PARTICIPATE - June 16 Pediatric Illness Surge
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> Please share as you deem appropriate.
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354. New name for this group (completed).

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2011-11-13 18:11:47 UTC
From: SDG-ARES-2012-owner@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 354 Message: 354

This group was formerly named SDG-ARES-2010

The new name, now in effect, is SDG-ARES-2012

The new Web address is...

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SDG-ARES-2012

Please read the group description at the URL above.

You can send a message to the group using the following email address...

SDG-ARES-2012@yahoogroups.com

Your membership is unchanged, except that you must now use the new URL and/or new email address to participate in the group.

355. Mission of this forum

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2011-11-16 00:38:30 UTC
From: tsmerk
Topic: 355 Message: 355

After reading the description and mission statement of this forum, I must say that it sounds constructive and upbeat! I hope that everyone continues to use the forum in the method for which it was intended, and soon, new positive ideas will begin to surface!

356. Solar Power

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2012-02-23 22:04:09 UTC
From: tsmerk
Topic: 356 Message: 356

For those of you using solar power, I would like to ask a few questions. Harbor Freight Tools has a 45 watt solar panel kit on sale this week, and I'm not sure if it would be adequate. If I operate a 100 transmitter, I figure it would draw about 22 amps on transmit. If I convert that to watts, it would be around 264. But since I receive more than I transmit, the receiver doesn't draw much power at all. In addition, if I connect the radio directly to the battery, the radio would be drawing the current from the battery, not the solar cell, and then the depleted battery current would be replaced when the sun is out and I am not using the transceiver, so based on this, the $190 kit should work, right?

Are there any flaws in my logic, or is this flat out just not the way to go (for example, maybe don't buy anything important from Harbor Freight Tools)?

I have run my rig before on one of those 12 volt UPS batteries that W6CAW was passing out, and it seemed to work fine, even though it was a lightweight unit. The only problem was that I still had to plug into the mains to recharge the battery. The solar panel would get me completely off the mains.

357. Re: [SDG-ARES-2012] Solar Power

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2012-02-23 22:47:48 UTC
From: David Doan
Topic: 356 Message: 357

Your logic is fine as far as the transmitter goes.

The real issue for long term is how much you use the receiver. It draws more power than you might think. If you intend to monitor for long periods, then you would want a solar panel which is capable of supplying the receiver current, with some left over to charge the battery.

As an example, I have used an IC-706 portable with panels capable of a little over 3 amps. The receiver draws about 2 amps. I have operated for 8 - 10 hours, with occasional transmissions, and had a fully charged battery when I came home.

Operating through the night is another issue, and would require a much larger battery, and more panels to fully charge it in the day time.

So for occasional operation, the 45 watt panel should be usable. For more serious operation, you might want more.

- David
- kc6yso

On Thu, 2012-02-23 at 22:04 +0000, tsmerk wrote:
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358. RE: [SDG-ARES-2012] Solar Power

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2012-02-23 22:33:20 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 356 Message: 358

The 45W Harbor Freight Units likely produce 30W Net power after all the losses in the system (Lines, regulators, etc) or about 2.5A @13.5V... more than enough to power your receiver during daylight.

However Transmit will be an issue unless you have lots of large batteries... say 100AH -200AH as a minimum to store power ... as they will not support a 22A draw...

_____
Howard S. White Ph.D. P. Eng., VE3GFW/K6 ex-AE6SM KY6LA
Website: www.ky6la.com<http://www.ky6la.com/>
"No Good Deed Goes Unpunished"
"Ham Antennas Save Lives - Katrina, 2003 & 2007 San Diego Fires, 911"

From: SDG-ARES-2012@yahoogroups.com [mailto:SDG-ARES-2012@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of tsmerk
Sent: Thursday, February 23, 2012 2:04 PM
To: SDG-ARES-2012@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [SDG-ARES-2012] Solar Power

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359. March 10 "Go Kit" ARES meeting

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2012-03-12 15:49:38 UTC
From: tsmerk
Topic: 359 Message: 359

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360. Re: [SDG-ARES-2012] March 10 "Go Kit" ARES meeting

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2012-03-12 16:34:42 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NF9T
Topic: 359 Message: 360

Sure miss the ARES program in the San Diego area. Enjoyed being a part of it for many years.....

73, Tuck Miller NF9T

Contact Tuck on:
SKYPE: (tuckmiller)
Facebook: facebook.com/tuckmiller
Yahoo Instant Messenger: mrtuckmiller

On 3/12/2012 10:49 AM, tsmerk wrote:
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361. Re: [SDG-ARES-2012] March 10 "Go Kit" ARES meeting

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2012-03-12 18:00:51 UTC
From: Earl Towson
Topic: 359 Message: 361

Somehow I’m no longer getting meeting notices... Please put me back on. EARL / N1QI

From: Tuck Miller NF9T
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2012 9:34 AM
To: SDG-ARES-2012@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [SDG-ARES-2012] March 10 "Go Kit" ARES meeting

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362. Re: March 10 "Go Kit" ARES meeting

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2012-03-12 21:04:32 UTC
From: tsmerk
Topic: 359 Message: 362

Tuck - Send an email to Bruce, KG6IYN@... - he's the new section leader for ARES, and he's been doing a great job!

--- In SDG-ARES-2012@yahoogroups.com, "Earl Towson" <etowson@...> wrote:
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Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2012-03-13 18:41:28 UTC
From: Earl Towson
Topic: 359 Message: 363

TNX, 73's

From: tsmerk
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2012 2:04 PM
To: SDG-ARES-2012@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [SDG-ARES-2012] Re: March 10 "Go Kit" ARES meeting

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Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
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From: tsmerk
Topic: 364 Message: 364

I'm gearing up for the next two ARES meetings on digital modes, and I had a question for anyone who might know. I have a Kenwood TH F6A HT. It has two jacks for mic and speaker. Both jacks are tip-ring-sleeve, so I imagine that one of the rings is PTT. My notebook has a built-in sound card chip and the usual headphone and mic jacks. It also has USB 2.0. Can I construct or purchase a cable that will interface the HT with the computer and allow me to use the new "sound card" software without having to buy a TNC? If so, can you lead me to the wiring instructions for the cable, and then recommend a software program that will work with this setup? I already have a Powerwerx USB cable (same as the Kenwood cable) that I use to connect the 2 jacks on the HT to the computer USB port in order to program the memories and setttings on the radio - would that work for anything? Thank you!

365. Skywarn presentation scheduled for Dulzura on June 27

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2012-06-06 16:31:35 UTC
From: tsmerk
Topic: 365 Message: 365

A Skywarn training class is being presented by Alex Tardy of the National Weather Service on Wednesday, June 27, from 6:00 PM until approximately 8:30 PM, at the Dulzura Community Building. The address is 1136 Community Building Road, Dulzura, CA. The presentation will include what Skywarn does to assist the National Weather Service during times of extreme weather, a discussion on extreme weather itself and how to recognize when something might be shaping up, fire weather, and of course a Q&A period. Also, Paul Nysen, KJ6KIA, will discuss the physics of lightning and how to minimize the chances of an antenna installation from being struck.

There is an online sign-up for this free Skywarn training class. Please direct anyone you know that may be intrested to: http://www.sdctp.com/NWS/Skywarn/SkywarnDulzuraSignUp.html. In this way, we'll have an idea on how many people to expect.

No fee for the class and you do not have to be a weather spotter or a ham radio operator in order to enjoy the information that will be presented. If you have questions, contact Tom Smerk at tom@... or Jim Campbell at wb6zpb@....

366. Field Day 2012

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2012-06-06 16:37:28 UTC
From: tsmerk
Topic: 366 Message: 366

What are you all doing for field day? I spoke to Bruce and Steve on Monday, and it doesn't look like ARES will be getting together for a field day activity, but as far as I know, it is still a possibility.

I was hoping to be able to participate with ARES, but if that doesn't happen, I would like to join one or more of you. If nothing is happening, I have 3 acres in Dulzura on a hill we could set up on. Could ven do some music and have a barbeque. But I would rather go to an organized event.

I have available an Atlas 210 HF rig, a small portable OCF dipole with two "speaker stands" to support the ends if there are no trees available, my tuner and a Belkin UPS battery with a 15 watt solar cell. Not the best, but it should get me through the day. I only want to do this one day, if possible.

Let me know what you think - let's start planning!

367. Software Defined Radios

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2012-08-11 01:08:02 UTC
From: k6keu
Topic: 367 Message: 367

I just got a Software Defined Radio (the FLEXRADIO 3000) and am very pleased with it. If anyone else in the area has one please contact me as I would like to learn how to change the 'skins', connect my DigiPan, and add a CW Skimmer.
EARL / N1QI
619-670-7622
etowson@...

368. RE: [SDG-ARES-2012] Software Defined Radios

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2012-08-19 17:18:30 UTC
From: Dr. Howard S. White
Topic: 367 Message: 368

Earl:

I have owned a Flex 5000A for several years and work with the SDR beta team
I also have a Flex 6700 on order...

So I guess I know a bit about SDR's....

Basically everything you need to connect is connected via a software program called DDUTIL
http://k5fr.com/ddutilwiki/index.php?title=Main_Page

Suggest that you read everything on the DDUTIL install pages as most of your questions should be answered there.

If get stuck, and your computer is connected to the Internet, I can remotely connect to your computer and fix it for you.

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"No Good Deed Goes Unpunished"
"Ham Antennas Save Lives - Katrina, 2003 & 2007 San Diego Fires, 911"
From: SDG-ARES-2012@yahoogroups.com [mailto:SDG-ARES-2012@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of k6keu
Sent: Friday, August 10, 2012 6:08 PM
To: SDG-ARES-2012@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [SDG-ARES-2012] Software Defined Radios

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369. Let's reactivate this forum

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2013-01-08 00:40:15 UTC
From: tsmerk
Topic: 369 Message: 369

No messages since August? I suppose now that the Yahoo ARES gorup is running smoothly, it would be the best place to post "official" ARES messages, so why don't we use this group for all of those "unofficial" things that you want to ask about or talk about, but you don't think that it would be a "proper" topic for SDGARES?

There has been a lot of interesting activity lately in San Diego ARES. I'm seeing a lot of new faces at the meetings, which by-the-way have been filled to capacity lately! Also, Len has been doing a good business selling hats, shirts and jackets every month, so now we are going to look like a "team" the next time we respond. I would love to see photos of each site from the hospital drill to see how everyone looked! I posted some from UCSD Hillcrest of me, Bill and Dan on my websitre, which is htp://radio.tomsmerk.com. They are listed under "Recent posts" on my blog page.

Also, Rob (K6RJF) has started a new weekly drill to bring people up to speed on using digital modes. This is done via email or Telnet as opposed to the Sundy AM drills on HF and 220. So far, we have 12-14 regular participants each week. All of the message exchanges have been done over Telnet, so there is no need to own a packet TNC and a 2-meter radio. Using the skills I learned each week, I would be comfortable now doing this over an actual packet machine. I have set up my Tigertronics SignalLink USB soundcard interface at home as a packet TNC clone, but I have a lot more fun using the SignalLink on the HF bands looking at the waterfall and copying all of the digital traffic. The other day I had a PSK31 QSO with Japan at 40 watts that would have been difficult using voice mode at 100 watts!

Using one SignalLink on two different radios presents a challenge because each one requires a different jumper configuration internally. I am in the process of constructing two different "headers, "which are IC sockets with the correct jumper wiring for each radio. Then when I want to swithc, instead of reconfiguring six individual jumper wires, I just unplug the one header and plug in the other! I am thinking about even going as far as to have a 16-wire flat ribbon cable coming out from the inside of the box so that I can change the chips without having to open the case by removing four allen screws each time. I haven't finished wiring these yet because it seems that I don't have the proper hookup wire at home, so I have to swing by the store and buy some.

Speaking of stores, don't plan on going to Willy's Electronics on a Saturday - they're not open! I drove there after the Santee Swap Meet this weekend to pick up some stuff and was very disappointed when the door was locked. Who ever heard of a retail store being closed on Saturday?

Well, you get the idea. I wrote all of this just to give you some ideas for topics and how we could still keep this an active and interesting forum, even though many of you are using SDARES Group for all of your messages. I hope you will be able to contribute to this forum on a regular basis, and have an enjoyable time doing so.

`73!

370. RE: Let's reactivate this forum

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2013-10-03 14:48:42 UTC
From: <lakehodgesradio@...>
Topic: 369 Message: 370

Sounds good.

371. Forum Update / Emergency Communications / SDG

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2013-10-03 14:55:39 UTC
From: <lakehodgesradio@...>
Topic: 371 Message: 371

This Forum will be renamed today.

OLD NAME: SDG-ARES-2012

NEW NAME: SDG-ARES-2014

URL: http://groups.yahoo.com/groups/SDG-ARES-2014
(http://groups.yahoo.com/groups/SDG-ARES-2012/)

The purpose of the form remains the same -- positive and constructive comments about emergency communications in San Diego County.

Feel free to use this as a friendly and UNofficial exchange of positive ideas.

372. RE: Forum Update / Emergency Communications / SDG

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2013-10-04 17:31:38 UTC
From: <don.root@...>
Topic: 371 Message: 372

Just out of curiosity, why date the group?

Why not "SDG-ARES"?

Don

---In SDG-ARES-2014@yahoogroups.com, <sdg-ares-2014@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

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NEW NAME: SDG-ARES-2014

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373. Re: [SDG-ARES-2014] RE: Forum Update / Emergency Communications / SDG

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2013-10-05 11:45:02 UTC
From: Tuck Miller NF9T
Topic: 371 Message: 373

I agree.....

Tuck, NF9T
Past San Diego SM and SW Div Vice Director

On 10/4/2013 12:31 PM, don.root@... wrote:
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374. Hams needed for Chimera 100, Nov 16-17

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2013-10-29 02:58:48 UTC
From: <yahoo@...>
Topic: 374 Message: 374

== Background ==

The "Chimera 100" is a 100 mile foot race. Yeah... imagine running four marathons, back to back, with thousands of feet in elevation gain/loss, and if it takes you more than 34 hours, you're forced to drop. There will be a lot of exhausted people in a wilderness area with no cell phone reception.

They need hams to staff the wilderness aid stations (or if you have a 4WD with lots of room, you can volunteer to ferry supplies and "dropped" runners).

The event is being held in the Santa Ana mountains (in Riverside County, above Lake Elsinore). The race begins on the morning of Saturday, Nov 16, and finishes the afternoon of Sunday Nov 17. More info at:

http://www.oldgoatrunners.com/old_goat_50_home_page_014.htm

== Why You Should Do It ==

Ultras are a GREAT way to practice your EMCOMM deployment skills. Traditionally, your ultra duties will be to record the bib numbers as runners pass through your aid station, and relay the bib numbers to Net Control as routine traffic. Occasionally you may pass emergency traffic to summon the off-road paramedics hired for the event, or even to invoke 911 to request a helicopter to land at your site. At the discretion of the aid station caption (who you will respect and obey in all things non-radio), you can help in other non-radio-related ways, such as providing first aid for runners.

First-time volunteer? No worries -- you'll be paired up with a seasoned radio operator, who will show you the ropes.

The point is, the people you'll be working with are not actors, the emergencies will be real, but you'll be doing it with mentors on hand. It is a fantastic training exercise, and the runners truly appreciate your help.

Here's an email forwarded from Mark Utley of Riverside RACES, with more details (highlighted quote: "If you have never worked one of these, you don't know what you are missing"). Email Mark (utley.mark@gmail.com) and let him know your preferred assignment and hours. (If his email address got filtered by Yahoo Groups, his address is at gmail, as in gmail dot com).

73, John AF6UA

-------- Original Message --------
Subject: Amateur Radio Operators Needed, 2013 Chimera, 100 mile event
From: Mark Utley <utley.mark@gmail.com>
Sixteen radio operators have signed up and a few more have expressed an interest but not committed.

Here are the positions left to fill:

#1 Chiquita Falls. This is a 5 mile hike in to the station. The hours are Sat, 11/16 from 0800 Hrs to 1500 Hours. This position should only be filled by operators that are physically fit. Would like 2 operators.
#2 spot is Candy Store. This is the easiest spot on the course. The hours are from Sat, 11/16 from 0900 Hrs to 1330 Hrs. You can drive to it on paved roads just off Hwy 74 near El Cariso Village. I need 2 operators here.
#3 spot is Maple Springs. Accessed from the Orange County Side off Silverado Canyon. Hours are Sat 11/16 1315 Hrs to Sun 11/17 0540 Hrs. A high ground clearance vehicle is necessary for this location. 2 operators needed.
#4 is Silverado. I'm told any vehicle can drive to this location accessed from the orange county side. Hours are Sat 11/16 from 1430 hrs to 0230 Hrs on Sun 11/17. One operator is needed. Communications from this location will be challenging. Elevated Gain Antenna recommended.
#5 spot is Indian Truck Trail. Located at the top of ITT road at Main Divide. Hours are Sat 11/16 1745 Hrs to Sun 11/17 1330 Hrs. 4x4 is required. 1 operator needed.
#6 is Horsethief. This is on Main Divide, approx. 5 miles s/of Indian Truck Trail. Access would be through ITT or via Main Divide near Blue Jay campground. Hours are Sat 11/16 2030 Hrs to 11/17 1435 Hrs. 4x4 required. 2 operators needed.

If you have never worked one of these, you don't know what you are missing. It is a good opportunity to test your field station under the pleasant but challenging conditions. Partner up with someone and let me know you are ready for an assignment.

Thanks,
Mark Utley, KD6TJU
Riverside RACES
Southwest Branch Director
951-551-7610
utley.mark@gmail.com (gmail.com)
Let me know if you wish to be removed from this Email group.

375. ARES / EmComms / North County Net / Wednesday, Nov 13, 2013 at 7pm.

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2013-11-10 23:52:53 UTC
From: W6JUL Julian
Topic: 375 Message: 375

SDG North County Emergency Communications Net -- Wednesday, Nov 13, 2013 at 7pm.

All interested Amateurs are invited to participate, including ARES, CERT, RACES members and other local groups.

Please FORWARD this invitation to interested parties.

Repeater check-ins begin at 7:00pm on the 147.030 (+103.5) ECRA Repeater on Palomar Mountain. After that, a frequency will be announced for a simplex mapping net in each local area. If you don't hear a simplex frequency for your area, please use 146.550 (anywhere) or 147.480 (to contact stations east of Mount Woodson).

This net takes place at 7pm on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of EVERY month, including the dates shown below...

Nov 13, 2013
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May 28
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Jul 9
Jul 23
Aug 13
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Oct 8
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Nov 12, 2014
Nov 26, 2014

376. Emergency Communications Net -- Wed, Jan 8, 2014 at 7pm

Yahoo group: SDG-ARES-2014
Date: 2014-01-04 01:25:37 UTC
From: <lakehodgesradio@...>
Topic: 376 Message: 376

Next SDG North County Emergency Communications Net -- Wednesday, Jan 8, 2014 at 7pm.

ALL interested Amateurs, including ARES, CERT, and RACES members are invited to participate.

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